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## CLAIM HSUCHOW AT JAPAN'S MERCY

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#### But Final Assault Not Yet Indicated

Shanghai, May 16.

A Domei report states that Japanese troops, advancing from Siaohsien, have occupied the hills west of Hsuehchow, from where they claim they are able to bombard the city.

The report does not indicate whether the attack on Hsuehchow has begun.—United Press.

#### Japanese Review Situation

Shanghai, May 16.

Japanese reports state that Japanese planes heavily bombed Chinese troops concentrations inside Tungshan's walls, also at Suhsien and Kuchien and twenty nearby villages. The Japanese report states that the Lunghai Railway was severed first of all at Neihwang, ten miles south-east of Langfang, where further progress has not been reported.

The line was severed again at Wangchi bridge, three miles east of Tangshan, a third column straddled it at Sinanchen, south of Tancheng, while a fourth column reached it at Paoche, 18 miles west of Sinanchen. While foreign military observers anticipated an immediate renewal of broadside Chinese attacks on the Tientsin-Pukow railway from the west, the Chinese military leaders appear to be trying to shift attention firstly to Shanghai, where they claim 27,000 Japanese troops have been killed in the past six weeks due to under-garrisoning of towns, and secondly to the Hotel-Chiaohsien line, to which Marshal Chiang Kai-shek sent a message of congratulation after the Chinese troops, according to their own reports, had occupied Chiaohsien.

Occupation of this town threatened the Japanese rear at Hotel where, Chinese reports claimed, the defenders were still holding the city, despite a terrific Japanese artillery bombardment.—United Press.

#### Japanese Press Reports

Tokyo, May 17.

The Japanese press gives great prominence to the reports from the Lunghai front describing the success of the Japanese troops there. Special editions of the leading papers were first issued reporting the bare fact that a victory had been won while later the editions discussed the effects that this victory may produce. The Japanese press emphasises that a further development of the struggle depends on whether the Chinese troops will continue to fight in the present situations or attempt to break through to the south-west from Hsuehchow. In any case the crucial point of the

### STUDENTS RESTLESS IN MEXICO

#### Sequel To Break With Britain

Mexico City, May 16.

Bloody clashes, reflecting the tense situation created by the expropriation of foreign oil company properties and the diplomatic break with Great Britain, are occurring in Mexico.

Police to-day were forced to drive Socialist Youth Organisation members from the University and preparatory law schools. Two students were injured, one seriously, in the clash. No arrests were made.

Students, armed with pistols, sticks and bricks, seized the buildings in connection with a dispute over the Dean, Dr. Chico Goerne, which split the student body.

Meanwhile, all is quiet at San Luis Potosi, and there are no indications of any uprising. Troops are enforcing the usual precautions.—United Press.

### S'hai Exchange Rates Slump

Shanghai, May 17.

The opening rates on the Foreign Exchange market this morning were, U.S. dollars 22 1/2 and Sterling 10.13/16d.

The continued decline, which has been maintained since the latter end of last week, is mainly attributable to the rapid developments on the war front and the reverses of Chinese forces near Hsuehchow and the Lunghai Railway.—United Press.

### U.S. Can't Help British Air Programme

Washington, May 16.

The British Air Mission, which left for Canada on Saturday, according to well-informed official sources here, has reported to the Air Ministry in London that while prices for American planes are reasonable, American manufacturers are at present too busy to produce planes in sufficient quantities to meet Britain's needs.—Reuter.

### France To Buy American Fighting Planes

Paris, May 16.

The French Air Ministry has decided to purchase a hundred American fighting planes with President Roosevelt's permission. The decision has been taken in view of the inability of French manufacturers to fulfil the first part of the Air Expansion plan.

An official statement expresses the hope that French manufacturers will be able to meet the country's future needs.

It is understood that the first American plane will be delivered next November, and the order will be completed by the spring of 1939.—Reuter.

### HENLEIN'S VISIT UNRECOGNISED

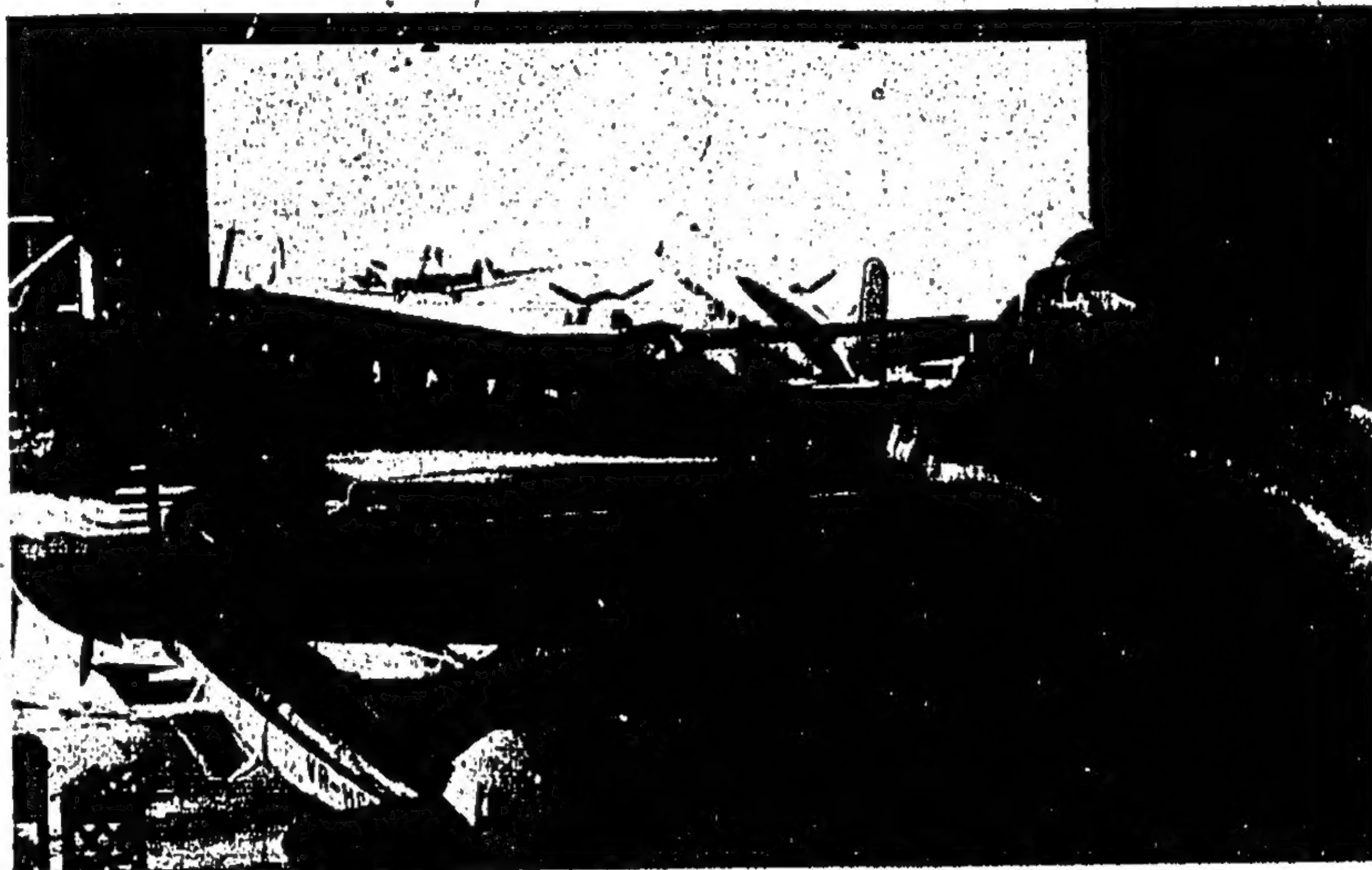
London, May 16.

In reply to a question in the House of Commons, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said that Herr Konrad Henlein, leader of the Sudeten Germans, had not been received by any members of the Government.

The report that Herr Henlein had visited Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Dominions (who has become Secretary of State for the Colonies under the Cabinet re-shuffle, announced this morning) was denied by Mr. Butler.—Reuter.

## Suggests Japan Waging Narcotic War on China

### GREAT IMPERIAL AIRPORT



### FRANCO- ITALIAN ACCORD DOOMED

#### Paris Right Wing Paper Makes Disclosures

Paris, May 17.

An interesting light is shed on the Franco-Italian negotiations which are openly admitted to have reached a deadlock by the Right Wing paper *Le Jour*.

The paper alleges that a group of "Pro-Soviet" politicians, headed by the President of the Chamber, M. Edouard Herriot, and the Colonial Minister, M. Mandel, succeeded in blocking the negotiations with Rome. The former Premier, M. Leon Blum, according to the paper, had already intended appointing a French Ambassador to the Quirinal but the matter was postponed owing to the fall of the Blum Cabinet.

The new Daladier Cabinet took up the question and it was proposed to nominate ex-Premier Pierre Flandin to that post. The Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, however, desired before the nomination of the Ambassador to ascertain the opinion of certain prominent personalities including M. Herriot who strongly opposed proceeding with the appointment before the meeting of the League Council and the settlement of the Abyssinian problem.

M. Herriot was supported by some influential members of the Cabinet, among them M. Mandel and M. Reynaud, as well as by leading officials of the French Foreign Ministry. The paper goes on to say that acting on instructions of the French Government, the *Chambre d'Affaires*, M. Blondel, presented to Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, demands which were known in Paris to be unacceptable relating to the Spanish question. The French Government under the influence of M. Mandel, has also informed Italy, according to the paper, that an international control of the Pyrenees frontier will not be re-established so long as a single Italian volunteer remains on Spanish soil. The paper asserts that the attitude of M. Mandel and the other Ministers is motivated mainly by the desire to conciliate the Communist Party.—Trans-Ocean.

### PRIME MINISTER HAS GOUT

London, May 16.

The Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, has had a mild attack of gout. He has consequently postponed his visit to Dundee, where he was to have received the Freedom of the City.—Reuter.

Here is a rather-climber's view of one of the busiest hangars in the British Empire. It is at Kai Tak. Big planes are crowded into the building, two giant, bi-motor, silver bodied, new monoplanes for the C.N.A.C., a fast tri-motor Eurasia machine, the Imperial Airways Daedalus, hidden on the right by the C.N.A.C. ship in the foreground, and a number of smaller craft. And approaching the hangar, just after landing, is another swift Eurasia passenger and mail plane from Hankow. Beyond, in the background, are the buildings which house the R.A.F., steadily expanding the Hongkong air defence system.—Staff Photographer.

### BRITISH CABINET RESHUFFLED AS SWINTON RESIGNS

#### Sir Kingsley Wood Named Secretary for Air

London, May 17.

Cabinet changes were announced last night as a consequence of the resignation of Lord Harlech and Lord Swinton, the latter the Secretary of State for Air.

Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, becomes Secretary for the Dominions;

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, goes from the Dominions' Office to that of Secretary of State for Colonies;

Sir Kingsley Wood becomes Secretary for Air;

Lord Colville becomes Secretary for Scotland;

Mr. Walter Elliot becomes Minister for Health;

Capt. Edmund Wallace is made Financial Secretary of the Treasury;

Lieut.-Col. Muirhead, from Under-Secretary of State for Air, becomes Under-Secretary for India and Burma;

Mr. William Balfour is the new Under-Secretary for Air;

Mr. R. H. Cross becomes Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade.

Lord Swinton's letter of resignation alludes to the political difficulties of a Minister in charge of a great spending department being in the House of Lords and unable to participate in the House of Commons debates. He recalls that he more than once had asked the Prime Minister whether a change were not desired.

A stage has been reached, he continues, where the disadvantages of interruption, which the Prime Minister wishes to avoid, have been greatly reduced.

#### Outlines Air Ministry Work Accomplished

After outlining the work the Air Ministry has already accomplished, Lord Swinton stated that when the Government decided to accelerate its programme it would be possible to give immediate effect to its decision.

The personnel requirements of the Royal Air Force of the next two years had been fully worked out, as had also the training arrangements for a large intake of pilots, airmen and boys. "I leave my work to be judged later in the light of fuller knowledge

### Great French Defence Loan Oversubscribed

Paris, May 16.

The 3,000,000,000 franc National Defence Loan, which opened this morning, was oversubscribed within a short time, and was closed this afternoon with striking success.

The Finance Minister, M. Marchandeau, in a broadcast at noon, thanked the people of France for their great support of the loan.—Reuter.

than obviously can now be made available." Lord Swinton concluded.

#### Resignation Accepted With Sincere Regret

Accepting the resignation of the Secretary of State for Air, Lord Swinton said:—  
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### HOUSE OF COMMONS HEARS OF BRITISH GOVERNMENT STEPS

#### Halifax will Consider Representations To Tokyo Authorities

London, May 16.

The alleged greatly increased trafficking in narcotic drugs in China by Japanese and Korean traders under the control of the Japanese Government, was drawn to the attention of the House of Commons to-night by Mr. David Adams.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said the Foreign Office had received reports that there had been a considerable increase in this traffic recently, but he had no reason to suppose it was the outcome of any systematic or deliberate plan.

He believed, said Mr. Butler, that to give publicity to the situation would be more productive of results than any other move. Government, he said, was very much alive to the matter and was using its strongest efforts. Although it had not made representations, Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, would consider the situation.

The Government's information did not bear out that systematic demoralisation was a part of the deliberate policy of the Japanese Government.

#### Heroin And Morphine At Very Low Prices

In a further reply, Mr. Butler said he was aware that heroin and morphine were selling at very low prices in North China.

Mr. Adams suggested the price was three half-pence per packet of heroin, but did not state how much of the drug was contained in the packet.

With regard to the world's production and distribution of these narcotics, the British Government was doing its utmost to control clandestine manufacture and distribution in its territory, under the opium Conventions, Mr. Butler went on.

The League of Nations would shortly consider steps to limit the cultivation of raw materials from which all narcotic drugs are made.—Reuter.

### 25 Perish In Atlanta Hotel Fire

Atlanta, Georgia, May 16.  
A serious fire which broke out last night in the Hotel Atlanta, has caused fifteen deaths. A number of hotel residents were also injured.

The cause of the fire was an explosion in the basement. The building, a modern five-storey structure, was completely destroyed.—Reuter.

Twenty-four bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the Atlanta Hotel. Twenty have been identified. Fourteen persons who are in hospital are critically injured.—United Press.

### FEARS FOR BRITISH INTERESTS

#### Nanking-Appointed Customs Officers Can Do Damage

### But Government Not Perturbed

London, May 16.

Mr. A. C. Moreing Conservative, asked in the House of Commons to-night whether the recent appointment of a Superintendent of Customs at Shanghai by the Nanking authorities had been confirmed by Sir Frederick Maze, Inspector-General of Chinese Customs.

He wished to know whether the appointment will be subordinate and under the control of the Inspector-General.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that the answer was negative in both questions.

### STOP PRESS

#### CHINESE PRESSING TOWARDS LINFEN

Tungkuang, May 17.  
Chinese forces in Shanai are vigorously pressing on Linfen, about 100 miles south of Taiyuan.

Fighting has been in progress near Linfen and Yuncheng, north-east of Chichien in south Shanai, during the past three days, with the Japanese suffering heavily.

On May 15, the Japanese troops in Yungtai and Yungliang in south-west Shanai were rushed to reinforce their units around Yuncheng. Only a small number of Japanese now remain in both cities.

The areas to the immediate north of Yungtai have been cleared of Japanese soldiers.—Central News.







# 10 YEAR'S SENTENCE ON TROOPER "No Clemency For Gangsters"



Frederick George Clark.

## SPACE IS BEATEN

British television engineers—Britain is the only country to have a regular service—have conquered the science's greatest problem, space.

The Television Committee in 1935 said reception would be confined to 25 miles of the transmitter.

Tests in the last few weeks have made even the experts gasp. Perfect reception has been recorded 110 miles away from Alexandra Palace.

Said an official of Messrs. Ekco, television manufacturers: "We have had perfect results at Birmingham, Leamington and Evesham. Last week we succeeded at Bournemouth." Another point in the Television Report was that hills would interfere with results, but at Evesham—where 900ft. high Fish Hill was in direct line four miles away—no distortion or interference was found.

## DRAMATIC SEQUEL TO SHOOTING AT POLICE OFFICERS

"It cannot be too clearly understood in this country that the methods of the gangster and the gunman are not going to be tolerated," said Mr. Justice Asquith, passing the following sentences at the Old Bailey on the two troopers of the 12th Lancers charged with shooting at police officers—

Andrew Vanderberg, aged 37—ten years' penal servitude.

Reginald Eddie Kaye, aged 16—three years in a Borstal institution.

A 21-year-old van boy, Frederick George Clark, charged with demanding money with menaces, was found not guilty and discharged.

Sentencing Kaye, Mr. Justice Asquith said: "You could be awarded a flogging. I shall take a chance, although I could give you imprisonment. Consider yourself extremely lucky."

For Vanderberg, it was pleaded that he was an addict of a Mexican drug—marihuana—producing wild ideas and desires. He was influenced by this drug when he held up the cars and shot at police officers, and had also taken it in 1921, when he shot two policemen in Canada.

**KAYE'S VIOLENCE**

Summing-up, Mr. Justice Asquith said that Vanderberg had pleaded guilty to counts so numerous and grave as to justify the prosecution in abandoning the other charges against him.

Dealing with Kaye's plea that he was dominated and frightened by Vanderberg, he said: "I don't know how Kaye impressed you. Do you think he was a boy easily scared? Was his bearing that of a timid, shrinking, sensitive, helpless creature? Your view of this will not be uninfluenced by the fact that taking the charges to which he has pleaded

guilty few boys of his age could have packed more violence into 24 hours.

The foreman of the jury said that they wished to put on record their appreciation of the courage of the police, and Mr. Justice Asquith stated that he would emphatically endorse that. He thought that the four officers had acted with conspicuous gallantry.

**VANDERBERG'S RECORD**

Divisional Det.-Inspector Harris said that Vanderberg, a single man, was born in Spitalfields, where his relatives, including his blind father, still lived. He received a suspended sentence in Ontario, Canada, in June 1919 for theft. In August 1920 Vanderberg received a further suspended sentence at Saskatchewan for the theft of bullets.

In September 1921 he received a life sentence at Saskatoon, Canada, for shooting with intent to murder. In that case he was robbing a bank and shot at and wounded two policemen while endeavouring to make his escape.

He was released from prison in Canada in February 1937, after serving nearly 16 years of his sentence. He was then deported to England, arriving here on March 2, 1937, so that he had been here for a year before his arrest.

He went to Canada when he was 14, and at the age of 16 enlisted in the Expeditionary Force. He served in France from June 1917, and was transferred to the base hospital suffering from trench fever.

In May 1918 he rejoined his battalion in France. In the following June he was admitted to hospital, having been buried by a shell.

**IN AN ASYLUM**

The Canadian police records showed that he was for a period in an asylum in 1918. Inquiries show that the asylum was now pulled down, and no records could be found as to why and how long he was in the asylum.

After returning to England he obtained work as a warehouseman at



Andrew Vanderberg (top) and Reginald Eddie Kaye.

a glass merchant's in Westminster Bridge-road at a wage of £2 1s. 6d. a week. In November last year he joined the Army, giving his age as 27. He was posted to the 12th Lancers and was described by his commanding officer as a good soldier who rapidly adjusted himself to Army ways.

Kaye was born at Shrewsbury and in 1935 was bound over there for six cases of shop and store breaking. In 1936 he was bound over for two years for shop breaking.

When employed at a works, Kaye took a dummy revolver there and tried to get his boss's hand with a view to it becoming an effective weapon. At the same time, he was carrying a dagger and a knife.

His conduct had been described as unsatisfactory. It was said that he was not trustworthy; he was full of promises and nearly always disappointed. All methods had been tried to make him honest and truthful, and it was found that corporal punishment touched him most.

**KAYE'S BOASTING**

Kaye's commanding officer had said that in his first six months Kaye's character and work were very satisfactory, and he had every possibility of making a good soldier.

Recently he had had a minor military punishment for riding a War Department cycle without authority, and that was followed by eight days' detention for sleeping at his post while on sentry duty. The commanding officer was of the opinion that that punishment might have caused him to be disgruntled.

"His expression of regret for this action was only temporary. At the police court I had to check him for boasting to another juvenile prisoner of the injuries he had caused Sergeant Rackham. His expressions were rather disgusting. In view of his previous conduct one cannot very respectfully subscribe to any suggestion that he was entirely dominated by Vanderberg."

Mr. Llewellyn (for Vanderberg) then said that he had some questions to ask Kaye, who said that he was frightened of Vanderberg because of his unusual manner. If he had not known that he could not have been drinking he might have come to the conclusion that Vanderberg had had a certain amount of drink, or that he was very, very tired.

"The explanation of this astounding series of crime," said Mr. Llewellyn, "is that Vanderberg had been drugging himself with a drug known as Marihuana. It is a drug which in this country is almost unknown, but in Mexico and the southern States of the United States it is well known. It is one of the curses of that country."

The drug, which was somewhat akin to India hemp, when it was taken acted chiefly on the central nervous system and gave exhilaration, excitement, and hallucinations.

"It is seized by the Customs of the United States, and when it is found it is destroyed. Vanderberg tells me that he unfortunately first took it when he was in Canada and in the United States. From time to time he had friends of his still out in the States, who, when they wrote, enclosed leaves of it in their letters

## EMPIRE NEWS

### AUSTRALIA NEEDS 3,000 RECRUITS

Sydney.—Immediate steps are being taken to begin recruiting the 3,000 extra men needed for all the defence services during the next three years under the £43,000,000 programme.

Britain's purchase of the aircraft carrier Albion to offset the two cruisers to be bought from the British Navy will reduce the cost of the cruisers to £3,000,000. Federal circles to-day suggest the possibility of raising a London loan to cover this expenditure.

It is pointed out that the whole current financial year's surplus is estimated at £2,000,000, which is earmarked for the inauguration of national insurance and some other items.

When the Air Force reaches the full strength of 17 squadrons under the new scheme it will be the strongest overseas air force in the Empire. Canberra will become one of the strongest airports.

Darwin will be prepared to accommodate a naval squadron as subsidiary to Singapore, but it is not proposed at present to station Australian warships there. The southern ports are regarded as the Commonwealth's most vulnerable areas.

Mr. Lyons, the Federal Prime Minister, stated to-day that no big tax increases were likely.

**MUNITIONS FACTORY SCHEME**

Calcutta.—It is now officially confirmed that a big munitions factory is to be erected at Jubbulpore, Central Provinces, to make India independent of imported shells and small arms.

A site in the centre of India has been chosen on the ground of low vulnerability and convenience of distribution. Recent investigations into India's lack of adequate coast defences in war time will result shortly in a comprehensive scheme of armaments at strategic points and a considerable expansion of the Royal Indian Navy.

The discussion on the Bren gun in the House of Commons has aroused the greatest interest in military circles all over India. After exhaustive tests, the Indian authorities last year rejected the Bren in favour of the Vickers Berthier gun.

**Canada**

**LONG RANGE ARMS POLICY**

Ottawa.—Mr. I. Mackenzie, Dominion Minister for Defence, opening the debate on the Defence Estimates in the House of Commons, said that a "long-range" armament policy had been perfected to preserve Canadian coast lines, ports and trade routes from aggressors.

Mr. Mackenzie stated that the view of the largest group of Canadians was that Canada should refuse to accept in advance the view that when Great Britain was at war Canada was also at war, or that Canada was bound to take like action whenever the League of Nations ordered the imposition of sanctions.

The estimates total £6,800,000, compared with £7,200,000 last year.

—Reuter.

**GAOL FOR JOURNALIST**

Edmonton.—Alberta is aghast at the "Moscow trial" staged by the Legislature which sentenced Mr. Don Brown, of the Edmonton Journal, to prison for the rest of the session for an alleged unfair report of the Social Credit members' speeches in Parliament.

Mr. Unwin, the Social Credit Whip, who was recently released from prison for libel, sat on the Committee of Privileges which found Mr. Brown guilty.

to him. He rolled them in tobacco, and smoked them in cigarettes.

**"LIKE A FOOL"**

"On the night of these crimes, Vanderberg had come off duty in the evening, washed and changed, and, having this drug with him, he smoked it. It was only after he had got into a state of exhilaration that the question of deserting had ever arisen.

"It did arise, and after arising, it was in this excited state that this series of crimes took place. He had a supply with him and, like a fool, he continued to smoke it."

Vanderberg stood rigidly to attention as sentence was passed.

"After listening to what has been said by your counsel, I have been trying hard to find any ground of extenuation or excuse for what you have done," said Mr. Justice Asquith.

"The only extenuation put forward is that you did it under the influence of a drug, which affords no excuse at all. The effect on society is exactly the same, whether you committed these crimes under the influence of a drug or not."

"You were convicted in Canada of shooting to murder and given life imprisonment. You have now pleaded guilty to a succession of appalling crimes, for more than one of which you could be sent to penal servitude for life. This kind of crime will receive no clemency at all."

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FEARS FOR BRITISH  
INTERESTS

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were not under the control of the Inspector-General, although subordinated to his direction.

Mr. Moreland asked whether, as Great Britain had not recognised "the Puppets" administration at Nanking, the Government should not refuse to recognise the appointment which may have the most dangerous results for British trade in Shanghai.

Mr. Butler answered: "I am informed that the same principle that prevailed before prevails now."—Reuter.

BRITISH CABINET  
RESHUFFLED AS  
SWINTON RESIGNS

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sincere regret, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, wrote of the recent decision to accelerate that it "could not have been started, as has been done, if you had not prepared in advance plans necessary to carry it out and this applies to all branches of your work."

The Prime Minister recognises the

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THE MAY HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1938, at 5.30 p.m.

ALL MEMBERS are cordially invited to attend and participate in any discussion which may ensue.

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Hongkong, 11th May, 1938.

truth of the statement that in a great

spending department it is a dis-

advantage if its head is not in the

House of Commons, the latter says.

And adds: "It is painful to think

that our long and fruitful association

has come to an end but I hope you

will be willing to undertake further

public service if the opportunity

presents itself."—Reuter.

CLAIM HSUCHOW AT  
JAPAN'S MERCY

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coming struggles lies on the Japan-

ese south-west front, which therefore

must be strengthened.

While on the south-west front the

Japanese Army continues steadily

advancing, the section subject to

attacks is shrinking. The Japanese

are pressing upon the strongly forti-

fied sector in the north-east of

Hsuehchow.

Judging the situation as a whole,

the Japanese press believes that the

"capture of Hsuehchow is now only a

matter of days."

There with the China conflict will

reach the turning point and

Marshal Chung Kai-shek will have

to decide whether to continue resis-

tance further.

The Japanese are firmly resolved

to continue the military operations

with enhanced vigour.

To-day, writes the Japan Times

which often expresses the views of

the Japanese Foreign Office, most

valuable coastal provinces of China

are occupied. Also in the south, the

coast is blocked since the Japanese

fleet has already captured Amoy.

A new China department to work

in closest contact with the Japanese

Foreign Office on one side and

Japanese military headquarters on

the other, will take all necessary

measures under the direction of

Prince Konoze to bring about a

speedy end to the China conflict.

Trans-Ocean.

Violent Fighting South  
Of Tangshan

Chengchow, May 17.

Violent fighting is in progress at

Hantokow south of Tangshan, on

the Lunghai Railway, where the

Chinese defenders are making a

gallant stand to prevent the enemy

from cutting the line.

A Japanese force of about 2,000,

equipped with tanks and assisted by

planes, has been attempting to dis-

lodge the Chinese without success

during the past three days. Their

repeated onslaughts yesterday were

again stemmed by the Chinese.

Heavy Chinese reinforcements have

been placed around Hantokow and

points in the vicinity to prevent the

enemy breaking through and reach-

ing the Lunghai Railway. The

Japanese are reported to be calling

in reinforcements from Yungchow

on the Honan-Anhui border, 40

kilometres south of the Lunghai

Railway, to replenish their losses of

the last three days.

A Japanese unit of more than 2,000

men which pushed from Fenghsien

in north Anhwei southward to the

vicinity of Lichwang station east of

the last three days.

Chinese guerrillas have filtered into

Paoing city, according to information

from foreign sources. So far, how-

ever, no severe fighting has taken

place.

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north of Paoing was cut by

Chinese guerrillas recently rendering

Japanese military transport along the

line difficult.

On May 15, a southbound train from

Peiping, after covering a distance

of about 50 miles, was forced to

return as a result of the damaged

track.—Central News.

MASS FOR  
WAR DEAD

A Solemn Requiem Mass will be

celebrated for the victims of the

Sino-Japanese war in the Catholic

Cathedral, Cause Road, on Thursday

morning at 7.30 a.m. The Mass,

which is in the nature of a memorial

service for all both soldiers and

civilians, who have lost their lives in

the course of the present hostilities,

will be attended by members of all

the chief Catholic organisations of

Hongkong. It will be celebrated by

Bishop Valtorta, the Vicar Apostolic

of Hongkong.

Among the many Catholics who

have been killed in China since the

war began, there is none whose death

was more regretted than Mr. Joseph

Lo Pa Hong, the prominent Shanghai

business man who directed numerous

charitable institutions caring for

several thousand persons. He was

murdered at the end of December,

the cause, it was understood, being

the mistaken belief that his charitable

activities were in some way a help

to Japan. His death was a great

blow to the cause of charity, especial-

ly at this time, for he was President

of the Chinese National Catholic War

Relief Association.

Tangshan on May 15 was driven

back by the Chinese after a bitter

encounter, and retreated northward.

About 700 Japanese were killed and

many were captured alive. Five

armoured cars were damaged by

Chinese gunfire.

An attempt to cut the Lunghai

line by a Japanese cavalry unit which

came from Tanghsien, in south-west

Shantung yesterday, was also frus-

trated by the Chinese.

Tension prevails in west Shantung.

The Chinese have evacuated Hotsch

after many days' fierce fighting.

The situation at Kinsing is reported

to be obscure. The Japanese broke

into the city on the night of May 16

after battering down the south city

gate. Bloody street fighting ensued.

An attack on Kaucheng by two

columns of Japanese troops from the

east and the north yesterday was

repulsed by the Chinese.—Central

News.

## Tension in Paoing

## Confirmed

Hankow, May 17.

Tension in Paoing, provincial

capital of Hopei, on the Peiping-

Hankow Railway and now under

Japanese occupation, as a result of

activities of Chinese guerrillas, has

been confirmed here.

According to an arrival from Kao-

pettien, 62 kilometres north-east of

Paoing on the Peiping-Hankow line,

the Japanese garrisons in Yihshien,

Laishui and Chochoo, around Kao-

pettien, have been rushed to Pao-

ing as reinforcements.

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track.—Central News.

## Massacres Continue

## In Amoy

Foochow, May 17.

The massacre of Chinese on Amoy

Island continued yesterday, according

to reports received here.

Large numbers of Chinese men

were rounded up and mowed down

by machine-gun fire. Those who

jumped into the sea to try to escape

were fired at.

Many Chinese women committed

suicide to avoid falling into the hands

of the enemy.

Looting by Formosan renins is also

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H.K. Steamboats \$22½  
Providents (Old) \$3.50  
Providents (New) \$3.50½  
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Humphreys \$5½  
H.K. Realities \$5½  
H.K. Tramways \$17½  
Peak Tram (Old) \$12  
China Light (Old) \$12  
H.K. Electric \$60½  
Macao Electric \$17½  
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Dairy Farms \$24½  
Construction \$15½  
Marsman (H.K.) 3/10  
Yauwatt Ferries cum. rights \$24½  
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Providents (Old) \$3.50  
Providents (New) \$3.70  
H.K. Realities \$5½  
H.K. Tramways \$17.25/30  
H.K. Electric \$61  
Cement \$17½  
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Mar. (1939) 8.84/84 8.77/77  
May (1939) 8.80/80 8.80N  
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May 11.72N  
July 11.74/76 11.78/78  
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**Winnipeg Wheat**  
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July 106¼/106¼ 104¾/104¾  
Oct. 88¾/88 88¾/88½  
The Last Notice Day for May  
Winnipeg Wheat is May 31.

### RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

9.00 London Relay—Non-Stop Variety.

Of Song, Comedy and Drama—The Three Herons; The Van Boys; Helen Mackay; 'Just Fancy That' (A Sketch); Clifford Stanton, Comper and comedian; Van Straten and His Orchestra; Production by F. H. C. Pittard.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Beethoven—Kreutzer Sonata in A Major, Op. 47.

Played by Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).

10.25 Songs by George Thill (Tenor).

Cantata No. 65 (Bach); Cantata No. 65 (Bach); Nuit D'Espagne (From "Scenes Pittoresques")—(Massenet).

10.35 Orchestra Raymond.

Gounod in Vienna (Arr. G. Walter); Orient Express (G. Mohr); Stephanie Gavotte (Czibulka—arr. Altendorf); Berceuse (Jarnett); Electric Girl (Helmberg—Holmes); A Night On The Waves—Finnish Waltz (Koskiman).

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(Continued from Page 6.)

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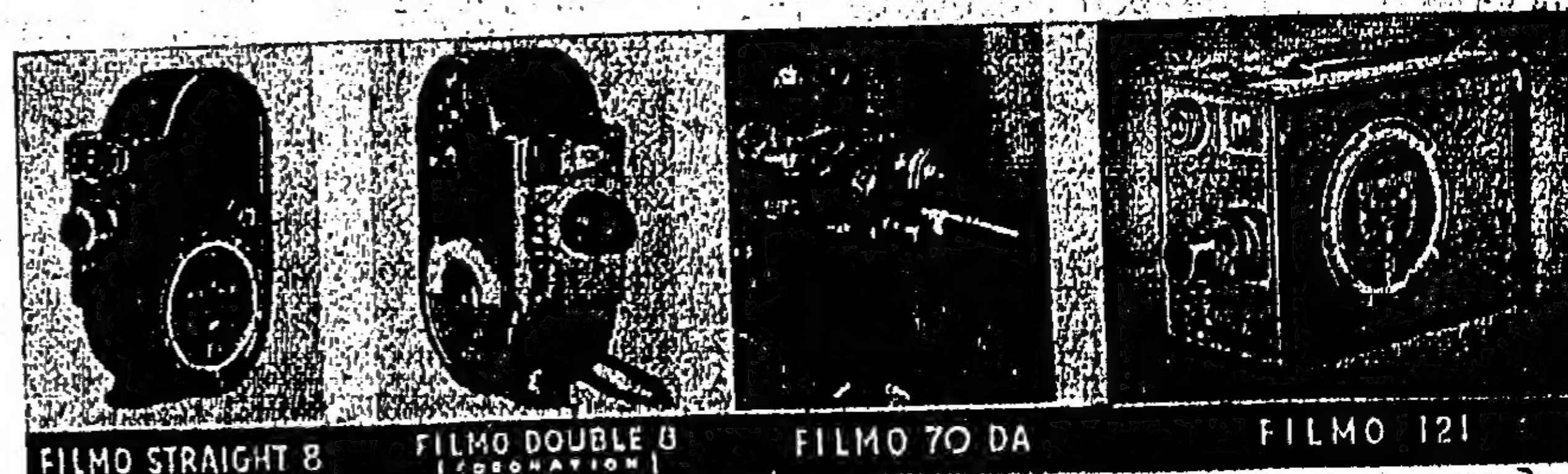
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### EDUCATION FOR THE ARMY

Hongkong is shortly to have a large and expensive military cantonment in Kowloon Tong. It is necessary in view of the increasing importance of this Far East base and the very considerable increase in garrison troops which is promised. But the most interesting feature of the military programme is the modern school which the cantonment will boast, which besides offering accommodation to the children of the British forces during their station here, will provide modern class-rooms for the instruction of young men of the Army as well. This is just one small part of the immense Government programme for the better instruction of troops and is an indication of the recognition of the fact that it is not the automaton which makes the best soldier. There was a time, to be sure, when sergeant instructors used to bawl: "You ain't supposed to think. Just get on with it." And the same thing was said of the British army in perhaps more elegant terms when the poet wrote: "Theirs not to reason why . . ." But the modern soldier, although he naturally obeys orders without question, is taught something more than his duty. He is an efficient cog in a vast machine; a machine which, incidentally, depends more and more upon petrol-power and, for that reason, on mechanical efficiency. In the army, as in every other modern organisation which attempts efficiency, officers and men are required to specialise more and more. If by means of education a young soldier can put himself in the way of promotion it is an obvious advantage from the personal point of view. It is no less important from the standpoint of the General Staff, one would think. For if Private Wilks can do the job of Sergeant Weeks, and Sergeant Weeks can do the job of somebody else a good deal higher in the unit, there is less danger of error in emergency and better prospects for the individual in the future. The R.A.F. proba-

## GILBERT FRANKAU asks IS SPIRITUALISM A DELUSION?

ACCORDING to Mr. Frank Hawken, secretary of the Spiritualist Central Council, there are 3,000 spiritualist Churches in Great Britain. He protests that it is "very unfair" of the B.B.C. not to allow any of their services to be broadcast.

My personal feelings, in this case, are entirely on the side of the B.B.C.

Even granting that the very plinth of our constitution is religious tolerance, I fail to see what good purpose could be achieved by such broadcasts.

Some form of survival after death is a tenet of every credal religion. But actual communication between the dead and the living—even if this be possible—is contrary to the tenets and forbidden by the teachings of most.

### Many Consoled

MY friend the late Arthur Conan Doyle tried his hardest to convert me to his own fervent belief in spiritualism. Others have made similar attempts. I can therefore realise exactly how much the "spirit world" means to those who can convince themselves of its reality.

And that there are both honest mediums and honest investigators of psychic phenomena, I admit.

Let us further agree that communications—whether real or illusory—from their dead loved ones console many who cannot find consolation in orthodox religions.

At the same time, nevertheless, even the most obstinate spiritualist must be with me when I state that fraudulent mediums are legion, especially in our industrial north.

You have only to meet the author of that remarkable revelation of an industrial worker's life, "I, James Whittaker," to realise how many poor people are muled of shillings they can ill afford by the descendants of Mr. Sludge, the poet Browning's exposed medium, who says:

Now, don't, sir! Don't expose me!  
Just this once!  
This was the first and only time, I'll swear.  
Then it's so cruel easy! Oh, those tricks!  
Clearly no common conjurer's. . . .  
Dishonesty and fraud apart, however, can spiritualism help the average workaday man and woman in this average workaday world?

### Old as Mankind

THE idea that our personalities survive our corporal bodies is as old as mankind. Odysseus, in the Homeric legend, visits the realms of Dis and talks with his dead com-

bly offers the best example of this newly-created opportunity for the young professional soldier to climb out of the rut; but there are chances in the other branches of the service, too, as there always were, but on a larger scale. One might venture the guess that the last great war taught the British Staff what sort of stuff comes out of the ranks. The British Navy has long been aware of the value of the officer who comes up from the lower deck. Granted he is generally a stern disciplinarian and is not always as popular with the "troops" as an officer who has always worn a "fore-and-aft" rig. But he is highly efficient and quite rightly highly respected. The days of prejudice against commissions for Tommy Atkins, too, are passing, if they have not already gone forever. The late general Sir Arthur Currie was a Canadian "volunteer," and not even a professional soldier until 1914. Maybe Hongkong will help produce a Hamilton or a Haig or a Roberts.

panions. "Behold," we read in the Prophet Samuel, "there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor."

And do we not also read, "He descended into Hell?"

As a searcher after the ultimate verity I am not sufficiently presumptuous to venture an opinion as to whether this idea is the whole truth or merely a mystical way of translating the infinity of conscience to our necessarily finite minds.

Many men have told me: "Without my sure belief in an after-life I should find it too difficult to follow the dictates of my conscience in this one."

Others, equally frank, have admitted: "I am not entirely convinced that my own personality will survive my body's death. But I should feel like a lost soul without the teachings of my 'credal religion.'"

Such men I can both admire and—as one still searching for that solace which absolute faith brings to a true believer—envy. The mystic's way, my whole experience of this life teaches me, is a happy way.

But the way of the spiritualist—at least, as I understand it—is not the mystic's. It is the scientist's. He or she demands proof—the dead shall not only speak but become materialised.

### The "Proofs"

TABLES must move. There must be photographs, taps, writings with pens or pencils, and that cozy, palpable, terrestrial substance known as "ectoplasm" for finite manifestations of the truth.

Honest and presumably unbiased investigators of psychic phenomena have assured us, over and over again, that such finite manifestations do occur. Conan Doyle, in one of his books, goes even further. He relates a personal meeting, in a hut on the west coast of America, between himself and a long-dead relative.

I myself, recently writing an article about my own mother, who passed over in 1916, received a letter from a living friend of hers, which said, "I talked with your mother only last night."

The writer of that letter was convinced that she wrote the truth. Thousands of other men and women, some of very much more than the average intelligence, share her convictions.

All these say, in effect, "There are no dead. Slowly but surely we are bridging the gap between this world and the next one. Join our ranks. Be enlightened. Be happy."

Truly enlightened? Or just deluded by natural phenomena which the scientist of the years to come will explain as easily as he now explains the workings of that cathode ray which is the heart of the television camera?

### Kipling's Belief

TRULY happy? Or merely led up the garden path of dreams by human sorrow, by human imagination, by the desire—inherent in all of us—to turn our wishes into realities?

Far be it from me to judge this transcendental issue. I can only give my own view my own judgment as dictated to me by my own conscience.

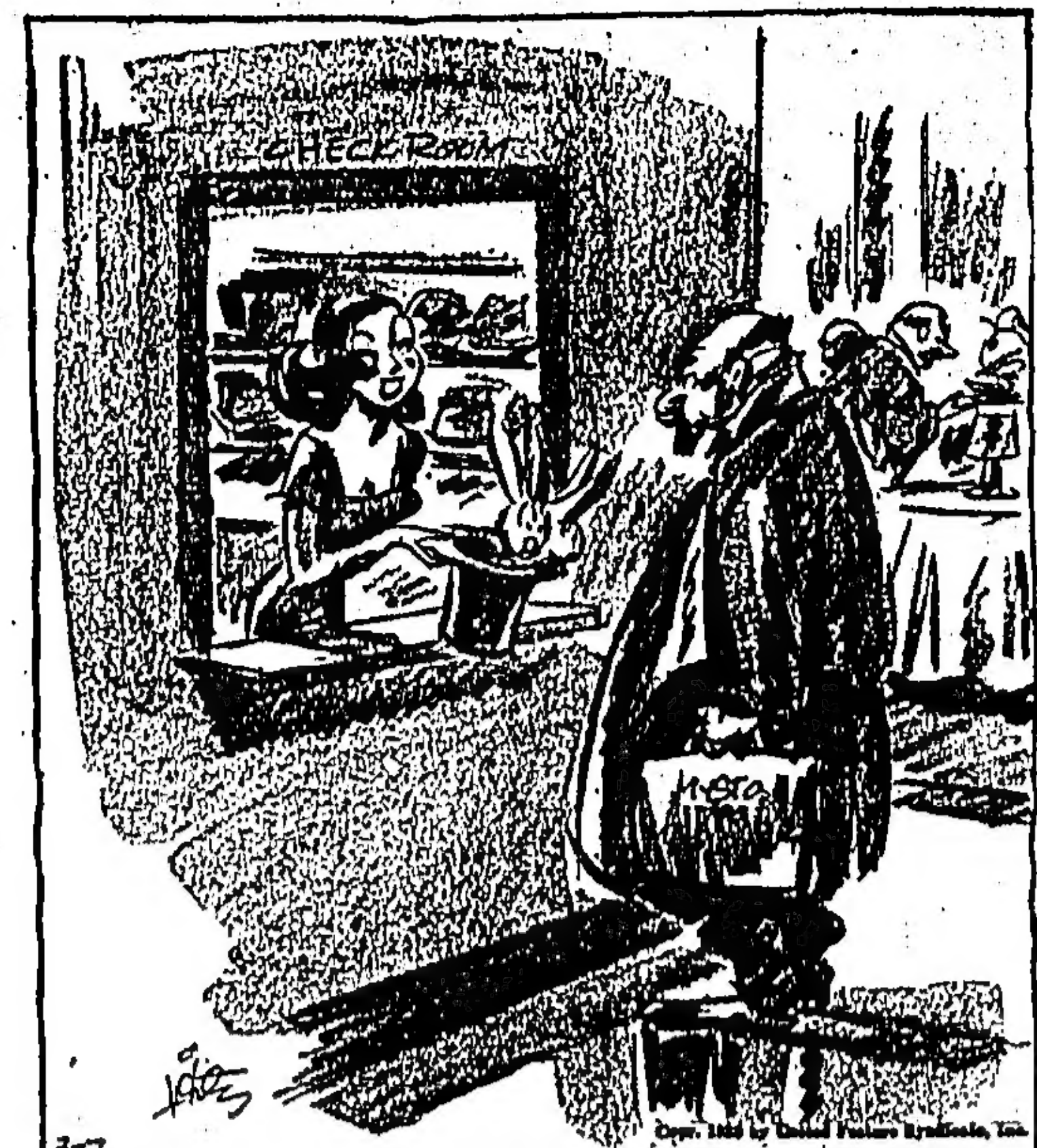
Even granting that there be personal survival, and not—as many of the world's best brains have held—a merging of all human souls into one Infinite Being, I cannot bring myself to believe that mere human beings should attempt to bridge the gulf between this life and the next.

I believe with Rudyard Kipling:

Oh, the road to En-dor is the oldest road  
And the cruelest road of all  
Straight it runs to the Witch's abode,  
As it did in the days of Saul;  
And nothing has changed of the sorrow in store  
For such as go down on the road to En-dor.

There is so much to be done before the world can be made anything like a paradise for the average man and woman. Let us hold our own earthly gates before we rashly attempt Heaven's—or Hell's.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—and there will be an extra charge of 75 cents for lettuce for the rabbits."

**Poland Goes Down  
To The Sea At**

**GDYNIA**

By  
**G. WARD PRICE**

Gdynia, Poland.  
THE world possesses two spick-and-span new seaports where, instead of rust, confusion and squalor, all is chromium plate, streamlining and modernity.

They are in different continents, a thousand miles apart. Both lie on closed seas instead of the open ocean. Though palms wave over one and pines over the other, both rise from desert sand, and—oddest resemblance of all—in both of them is Polish freely spoken.

These ports are Gdynia on the Baltic and Tel-Aviv in the Levant, and their similarity of tongue is accounted for by the fact that Poland contains 3,500,000 Jews—one-sixth of all the professing members of that race in the whole world—and a great many of them have found their way to Tel-Aviv in Palestine.

Fifteen years ago Gdynia was a village of 200 fishermen and their families, whose thatched cottages were strung along the sandy shore between the tree-covered dunes and the shallow Baltic.

### Poverty To Riches

NOW most of those fishermen are millionaires—in Polish zlotys, which, being on a gold basis, are worth six times as much as French francs and go as far as shillings do in England.

Their fishing days forgotten, they drive over from their fine villas round the casino at Zoppot, the Baltic Monte Carlo, to inspect the tall apartment-houses and rows of shops that now occupy the formerly worthless ground belonging to them, where so recently they used to dry their nets.

One square yard of that mingled scrub and sand to-day fetches £8. The site for a villa costs £1,000.

A Polish naval officer, still in the early thirties, told me that when he was a midshipman the destroyer in which he served used to lie three miles out from Gdynia, unable to come closer inshore because there was no depth of water.

### 1,500 Acres Of Quays

CRUISING now in the yacht belonging to the director-general of the port, M. Stanialaus. Lengowald, around the 700 acres of the harbour basins, protected by breakwaters 2½ miles long, and fitted with automatic radio-beacons and submarine oscillators,

I saw 50 ships up to 14,000 tons displacement lying alongside quays of a total area of 1,500 acres, with a depth of 36ft. between their water-line and the bottom.

Gdynia has her own Transatlantic passenger line running to North and South America. Forty thousand passengers move in and out of her maritime station in the course of a year.

It has cost £12,000,000 to provide Poland with her artificial port. The natural harbour for this part of Europe is the splendid old Hanseatic city of Danzig, at the mouth of the Vistula, 20 miles away. The mediaeval black-and-white warehouses and the huge brick towers of the ancient "Crane Gate" in Danzig are testimony to the great maritime traditions of the historic port. But Danzig is a German city, and as such was put under a special League of Nations regime when resuscitated Poland was given her "corridor" to the coast.

Now the Poles say that the troubles which removed them from the map of Europe for 130 years were primarily due to the fact that they had always "turned their backs on the sea." That was a mistake they were determined to make no longer—so they set themselves to build on the open, shoal-infested Baltic shore a brand-new port of their own, which to-day shifts 10,000,000 tons of merchandise a year.

Universal rearmament is helping to build up the prosperity of Gdynia. I found its quays piled high with the rusty scrap iron which has become by far its largest import.

Most of it is of United States origin: old radiators from American apartment-houses, bits of Transatlantic motor-cars, and out-of-date industrial plant are pouring into Gdynia at the rate of nearly 3,000 tons a day.

### Herring Imports

MUCH of this raw material is "in transit." I saw, lying on a dock, the hut-like cases of 20 large aeroplanes, which were labelled as consigned from Czechoslovakia to Estonia, though their ultimate destination may be farther on.

Germany, Denmark, and Sweden all considerably surpass Great Britain in the tonnage of their vessels using the port of Gdynia. Herrings are one of the main British exports to Poland, and a leading firm of London herring merchants is building a large store there.

### Everything Modern

THE chilling-sheds for foodstuffs will take 1,200 wagon-loads at once; the wheat granaries have a capacity of 10,000 tons; coal, which is Gdynia's largest export, is handled by a most modern outfit of belt-conveyors and wagon-tips, while the shipping of tin-

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## CHINESE START WELL IN MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE

As I See Sport

By "Abo"

## CHINESE REVEAL THEIR STRENGTH EARLY IN SEASON

## Mixed Doubles Team Good Enough For Championship

If the form shown by the Chinese Recreation Club players in the Mixed Doubles Tennis League in their match against the Kowloon C.C. is any criterion of their strength, they will have a lot to say regarding the destination of the Dunlop Shield this year. They have always been formidable in their men players; their difficulty in the past was to obtain the services of three ladies good enough not to let the team down. In Mrs. Enid Litton (a former singles champion of the Colony), Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu (co-holder, with Miss Rose Perry, of the doubles title) and Miss Yeung Wai-pun, a newcomer to the League, they now have three ladies capable of giving the men every support. Mrs. Litton showed yesterday that she is still a very useful doubles player, and she should have little difficulty in holding her own. As is well-known, Mrs. Chiu is a hand-bitter at her best, she is one of the most brilliant lady players in the League. The third C.R.C. lady, Miss Yeung, is comparatively inexperienced, but she has youth and keenness, and a few more matches will improve her play considerably. Are the Chinese going to make a clean sweep of the League this year? With the number of players at their disposal at the moment, their prospects are very bright, and it will not be surprising if they do walk off with every League championship.

## To-day's Matches

Three interesting matches have been arranged for "A" Division of the League this afternoon. The following is the programme:  
**Hongkong C.C. v. Chinese R.C.**  
**Kowloon C.C. v. United Services R.C.**

The Chinese look particularly strong, especially He Ka-lou is now being backed by three pairs like Leo Wai-long and Tsui Wai-pui, Paul Kong and Tsui Yun-pui, and Ho Ka-lou and W. C. Hung, they are very evenly balanced. Whatever the Hongkong C.C. find to-day they should not trouble the Chinese unduly. Perhaps the most even game of the day will be that between the Indian R.C. and the United Services R.C. to be played at Sookumpoo. The Indians have been strengthened this year by the inclusion of Omar Rummah, a former co-holder of the doubles title, who returned to the Colony some weeks ago. A very steady doubles player, Omar will partner S. A. Rummah. "H.D." will play with A. H. Madar as before, and A. B. Minu has I. M. A. Razack as partner. Without knowing what the South China line-up is, it is difficult to say what the prospects of the K.C.C. are. The K.C.C. team looks useful enough without being particularly brilliant.

## Soccer Refereeing

To all intents and purposes, the soccer season in the Colony is now over. As a matter of fact, had it not been for the visit of the Saigon team, the local season would have been concluded two weeks ago. Yet I make no apology for bringing up a matter which is of great interest to most soccer enthusiasts—refereeing. Asked "What is the secret of efficient refereeing?" Mr. A. J. Jewell, who recently refereed the F.A. Cup final at Wembley, said, "I

do not think you can say any particular policy is the only right one. But unobtrusiveness is to be aimed at, and the referee should try to put himself in the position of the players and understand his point of view. It is also up to the official in control of an important game to let the ball run as far as possible without holding up the play. After all, the public pays to watch football and not to listen to a performance on the whistle." Local referees, please take note. I particularly like Mr. Jewell's point about "performance on a whistle." This can be over-done, and when it is, it is very irritating to the spectators. I have seen many cases during the season of referees blowing their whistles and holding up play just because a goal-kick or a free kick was taken a few inches from the exact spot where they thought it should have been. After all, what difference does a yard or so make, especially when play is in the middle of the field?

## Phenomenal Run-getter

CENTURIES are scored as easily by Don Bradman as twenties or thirties by most people. Now he has done it again. His latest is his double century against the M.C.C. at Lord's. The reputation of captain of the Australian touring team seem to sit but lightly on his shoulders. This great little man is making his third trip to England. He is a cricketing genius, on hard wickets possibly the greatest batsman the game has ever known. The secret of his success is partly his astonishing concentration, which makes him invaluable in a crisis. There are those who doubt whether, in mastery of every kind of wicket, he equals some of the great players of the past. They even question his technique, arguing that he relies too much upon his marvellously swift footwork and phenomenal sight. His technique is sound enough, writes Howard Marshall, and adapted to his qualities. With it goes the spirit of aggression which will not allow him to fall into a technical corner. Passive resistance is useless to him. He must always be attacking. Challenge him with leg theory and he will seek the unorthodox counter-attack. Set a defensive field, and he will still score 40 or 50 runs an hour. His hook is an explosion of elemental force, but the power is controlled and the ball kept down. When Bradman hooks, he chastens his opponents, and sets against them the measure of their inferiority. Among his many records we find that he has scored 400 runs in all matches during the last tour of England with a total of 2,106 and an average of 94.75 for eight Test match innings. He has scored over 60 centuries in first-class matches and has shared in 80 partnerships of over 100 of which one was over 400, and between 300 and 400 and 17 between 200 and 300.

## Plenty Of Talent

If the Australian cricketers were really hard up for a player to replace Barnes, their S.O.S. need have gone no farther than England's cricket Press boxes. W. M. Woodfull is sitting in them this summer, and so is Bert Oldfield, who for years ranked as the best wicket-keeper in the game and a reliable run-getter at about No. 6 or 7. And if they don't fancy either of those old campaigners, both now 40 years of



"Lying Two" seems to be what Jack Shepherd is saying. A good head in the Lawn Bowls League match on Saturday between the Craigengower O.C. and the Police R.C. The Craigengower team won by 101 shots to 39.

## Baseball

## NEW YORK GIANTS TROUNCED

## Phillies Improve Their Position

New York, May 16. New York Giants, leaders of the National Baseball League, received a trouncing to-day at the hands of Philadelphia Phillies, who won by the job-sided score of 12-3. The Giants were out-hit and outplayed. A close match was played between Boston Braves and Brooklyn Dodgers, the former winning by the odd run in nine.

In the American League, Detroit Tigers scored 13 runs from 11 hits to beat Washington Senators by 13-7. The match between Philadelphia Athletics and Cleveland Indians went to ten innings before a decision could be reached. The Indians eventually won by 4-3.

| NATIONAL LEAGUE |    |    |   |  |
|-----------------|----|----|---|--|
| Boston          | 5  | 10 | 1 |  |
| Brooklyn        | 4  | 6  | 0 |  |
| New York        | 3  | 8  | 2 |  |
| Philadelphia    | 12 | 13 | 0 |  |

(Ripple homered for the Giants, and Corbett, Martin, Whitney and Klein for the Phillies.)

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

|              |    |    |   |  |
|--------------|----|----|---|--|
| Washington   | 7  | 7  | 1 |  |
| Detroit      | 13 | 11 | 3 |  |
| Philadelphia | 3  | 8  | 1 |  |
| Cleveland    | 4  | 12 | 2 |  |

(Ten innings were played.)—Reuter.

## Cricket

## LANCASHIRE DEFEATS ESSEX

## Victory By An Innings

London, May 16. The match between Lancashire and Essex, played at Ilford, in the County Cricket Championship ended to-day in a win for the former by an innings and 177 runs. Thanks to 114 by J. Iddon and 115 by N. Oldfield, Lancashire declared at 491 for eight wickets. Peter Smith captured five wickets for 87 runs.

Essex replied with 119 in the first innings. Nutter taking five for 38, and in the follow-on Essex scored 195.

The Australian tourists are in a very favourable position in their match against the M.C.C. at Lord's. After scoring 502, of which Don Bradman made 278, the tourists dismissed the M.C.C. side for 214. R. E. S. Wyatt scoring 84 not out, J. Smith took six wickets for the M.C.C. for 139 runs, while L. O'Brien took four for 60.

In the follow-on, the M.C.C. had made 87 for one when stumps were drawn.—Reuter.

## REFERENCE BOOKS CEASE PUBLICATION

London, Apr. 21. British lawn tennis officials and fans are disconcerted at the revelation that Britain's only two complete annual reference books on the sport have ceased publication. For many years tournament officials throughout the country, and even the Lawn Tennis Association

## Australian Cricketers To Make An Indian Tour

## Several Test Players To Be Included

In connexion with the proposed visit of an Australian cricket team to India, Mr. Frank Tarrant, who is organising the tour, told the Associated Press of India that if the proposal were accepted by the Cricket Club of India he was certain to take Richardson, Grimmett, Kippax, Oldfield, Wendell Bill, Chilvers, Fingleton, Chipperfield, Nash, Brown, Lush, Tallon, Gregory, McCormick, Bromley, O'Brien, and Barnett to India during the next cold weather season.

He was in communication with Bradman, but he was unable to say whether Bradman would captain Australia.

According to a tentative itinerary, the team will arrive in Bombay on Nov. 15 and proceed to Colombo on Feb. 13, 1939, after visiting Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Jamnagar, Karachi, Feshawar, Lahore, Amritsar, Patiala, Delhi, Ajmer, Indore, Nagpur, Calcutta, Secunderabad, Madras, Bangalore and Poona.

Five Test matches have been planned, two in Bombay and one each in Calcutta, Lahore and Madras. A three-days' match in Colombo will also be included in the tour. The Cricket Board of Control, have referred the matter to the Cricket Club of India, stating that, if the Club accepted the offer, the Board would give support.

have been to a large extent dependent on Ayres' Lawn Tennis Almanack and Lowe's Lawn Tennis Annual in compiling dates of tournaments and international matches, seeding and handicapping players and numerous other purposes. An official of the Lawn Tennis Association confessed his dismay when the United Press informed him of the publishers' decision not to print the books this year. Reasons for cessation of publication were not given but the publishers of Ayres' said they hope to revive the volume in 1939. The future of Lowe's, however, is still unknown.—United Press.

## WIN WITH EASE AGAINST K.C.C. AT KING'S PARK

## SPLENDID TENNIS SEEN ON THE OPENING DAY

(By "Abo")

The Chinese Recreation Club gave an indication of their real strength at King's Park yesterday afternoon when they walked through the Kowloon C.C. "A" in the Mixed Doubles Tennis League, winning by 7½ sets to 1½. Victory was already assured by the end of the second round, the scores being then 5½ sets to ½ in favour of the victors.

Nevertheless the K.C.C. players gave the Chinese a good fight in spite of the scores, which did not quite give a fair reflection of the play. For instance, Teddy Fincher and Mrs. Williams might have won two sets—they obtained the 1½ sets for the K.C.C.—had they been a little steeper at the crucial stages. Against Willie Hung and Mrs. Enid Litton, they led 5-3 but failed to press home the advantage and finally had to share the set.

Teddy Fincher and Mrs. Williams were by far the best K.C.C. pair on view. Mrs. Williams, a newcomer from Shanghai, gave her partner splendid support, being very steady in her ground shots. She was not so reliable at the net, however, though she did score several winners with her volleying. Their victory over Paul Kong and Miss Yeung was well-earned, even if it came only in the last round.

**VARIABLE FORM**  
 The form shown by Ernie Fincher and Mrs. Burnett was variable. They played up to standard in the first two rounds, losing in the ninth game to Tsui Yun-pui and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu and in the twelfth to Kong and Miss Yeung, but in the last round they were soundly beaten by Hung and Mrs. Litton.

Gordon Burnett and Mrs. Clarke had hard but were outplayed by superior pairs. Their closest match was against Kong and Miss Yeung, who beat them by 6-4. Nursing a cold, Hung was not at his best in his ground strokes. His net-play, however, remained as good as ever and he won many points through his devastating forecourt play. Mrs. Litton was steadiness personified.

Perhaps the best C.R.C. pair on the day's play were Tsui Yun-pui, who was taking the place of his brother, and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu. On yesterday's form, Tsui and Mrs. Chiu should not lose many sets in the League this season. They are a well-balanced combination. Paul Kong and Miss Yeung Wai-pun were probably fortunate to take two sets. They just managed it against E. F. Fincher and Mrs. Burnett, winning by 7-5, and against Burnett and Mrs. Clarke, they won by 6-4. Kong was handicapped by having to play with the weakest lady in the C.R.C. side, but acquitted himself well.

**SCORES**  
 The display of the Chinese augurs well for their chances of winning the championship once again.

**SCORES**  
 E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Williams (K.C.C. "A") drew with W. C. Hung and Mrs. Enid Litton 6-6; lost to Tsui Yun-pui and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu 2-6; beat Paul Kong and Miss Yeung Wai-pun 6-3.

E. F. Fincher and Mrs. Burnett (K.C.C. "A") lost to Hung and Mrs. Litton 1-6; lost to Tsui and Mrs. Chiu 3-6.

Chiu 3-6; lost to Kong and Miss Yeung 5-7.

G. C. Burnett and Mrs. Clarke (K.C.C. "A") lost to Hung and Mrs. Litton 3-6; lost to Tsui and Mrs. Chiu 2-6; lost to Kong and Miss Yeung 4-6.

## U.S.R.C. JUMP INTO FINE FORM

U.S.R.C.'s victory over Kowloon Cricket Club second string was about as decisive as one could expect. The visitors were not in the same class, and offered disappointing opposition.

Excellent performances were given by Mrs. Holmes, Miss Tyler and Miss Griffiths for the winners, and they quite definitely outshone the K.C.C. ladies, who found the uneven courts troublesome.

Lolly Goldman played typically vigorous tennis and won all three sets with ease. Commander Clifford made a very favourable impression, utilising a good service and some nice top-spin drives to effect. Lieut. D. C. Miska also showed up well for the winners, being especially prominent for some good serving.

A. E. P. Guert was the steadiest of the three visiting men. Gray struck appalling form, and Clarke was variable.

The losers lacked the balance which featured the displays of the U.S.R.C. couples.

**SCORES:**  
 United Services Recreation Club beat Kowloon Cricket Club "B" 8-1. Clifford and Miss Griffiths beat G. A. Gray and Mrs. Sweeney 6-1; beat G. E. Clarke and Miss Bradbury 6-1; beat A. E. P. Guert and Mrs. Knight 6-2.

L. J. Armstrong and Mrs. P. Whitham beat Ferguson and Mrs. Waddell 6-3; beat Enid and Mrs. Hyde Lay 6-4; lost to Mr. and Mrs. Story 4-6.  
 A. Pearce and Miss D. Dodwell beat Hamilton and Mrs. Hyde Lay 6-1; beat Mr. and Mrs. Story 6-2; lost to Ferguson and Mrs. Waddell 4-6.

## H.K.C.C. v. L.R.C.

Hongkong Cricket Club beat Ladies Recreation Club 7-2.  
 H. Owen Hughes and Mrs. Findlay beat Mr. and Mrs. Story 6-3; beat J. Ferguson and Mrs. Waddell 6-3; beat J. Hamilton and Mrs. Hyde Lay 6-2.

**SOUTH CHINA A.A. TO ENTERTAIN SAIGON TEAM**  
 The South China Athletic Association will hold a dinner at the Kam Ling Restaurant, 400, Queen's Road West, on Thursday, at 8 p.m., in honour of the visit of the Federation Cochinchinoise de Football Association's football team, and to celebrate the winning by the S.C.A.A. of the Hongkong Senior Football League and the Challenge Shield.

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## OLYMIC ATHLETE

Japanese Runner  
Ordered To Front

Tokyo, May 16.  
Kohel Murokoso, who won fourth place in the 5,000 and 10,000 metre races in the Olympic games held in Berlin, has been ordered to the front, holding the military rank of first class private.

He is regarded as Japan's hope for the coming 1940 Olympiad in Tokyo—Domei.

## COUNTY CRICKET

London, May 16.  
Cricket lunch scores were:  
Cambridge 200 and 17-0.  
Northampton 160.  
Derby 235, Surrey 85-6.  
Essex 89-8, Lancs 491-8, declared.  
Gloucester 84-1, Yorks 200.  
Hampshire 30-1 against Leicester.  
Rain stopped play.  
M.C.C. 48-1, Australians 502 (Bradman 278).  
Sussex 430-6 against Notts.  
Warwick 215, Glamorgan 171-7.—  
Reuter Bulletin.

## DERBY CALL-OVER

London, May 16.  
To-day's call-over for the Derby was:  
Pasch 15/8 t. and o., Golden Sovereign 13/2 t. and o., Scottish Union 100/9 o., Pound Foolish 100/8 o. 13/1 t., Port Marnock 100/7 o. 15/1 t., Mirza 16/1 t. and o., Glenloam 20/1 o., Caveman 25/1 o. 33/1 t., Manorite 33/1 o., Fly On 33/1 o., Valerian 40/1 o. 50/1 t., Halcyon Gift 50/1 o. 66/1 t.—Reuter.

## SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG  
JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 21st MAY, 1938, commencing at 2.00 p.m.  
The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

**MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE**  
No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all Chits, &c.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 NOON.  
Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box. Telephone 21520.

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**  
The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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A picture taken recently of the Diocesan Boys' School's soccer team, which won several matches during the 1937-38 season.

Merits Of  
Amateur  
Billiard  
Champions

English amateur champion at billiards for the second year is Kingsley Kennerley, a 24-year-old Birmingham engineer. Kennerley has a bit London following and is said to have drawn packed houses to Burroughes and Watts match hall in the course of the final round, says an English writer.

I have seen this young fellow at billiards and have enjoyed his game. He is a great player, but I would not say the greatest amateur of all time. The claims of Laurie Steeples and Sydney Lee at his amateur best (he is now a professional player) should not be ignored when we are seeking a place of the crown of supremacy.

Let me compare the three players, Steeples, Lee and Kennerley and their calibre. Steeples at his best was a great close-cannon player and there has been no amateur his superior with the in-off sequence. Sydney Lee in his amateur days was almost the equal of Steeples with the close-cannon movement—there are those who declare Lee was the better of the pair.

Lee's in-off play had not the sustained excellence marking Steeples' game, and the two might be bracketed in the top-of-the-table department.

Kennerley is as good as Steeples at the in-off and at the top he is better than Steeples and Lee—definitely he is that—but he is not the equal of either with the close cannon technique. Some day he will surpass the achievements of both with the bulls in close formation and then we can confidently set him up as the greatest amateur player of all time.

There is just a possibility that this crown we are planning to give Kennerley will be set elsewhere before he is ready for it. They have in Australia a young man named Robert Marshall who may qualify for the elevated place before Kennerley.

The Australian has proved his ability in defeating Joseph Thompson of England in the Empire Championship at Johannesburg in 1936. Thompson has been beaten twice by Kennerley in the English final and he can fairly assess the respective ability of Marshall and Kennerley, but Thompson will not go far when he is asked for an opinion as to which of the two is best. All he says is like this: "The meeting of the pair will provide the best billiard match amateurs ever have played."

I would give a lot to be able to see them in Melbourne in their Empire Championship battle in June. I wouldn't care to forecast the winner. They both are great players?

Kennerley in practice recently made a break of 942 and Marshall has topped the 700 more than once in preparation work. Either may

Sold British  
Secrets To  
Germany

British Woman  
Sent To  
Prison

London, May 16.  
Mrs. Jessie Jordan, 51, Dundee hairdresser, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude at Edinburgh on charges under the Official Secrets Act.

Accused pleaded guilty to being in communication with foreign agents for a purpose prejudicial to the safety and interests of the State, also obtaining information and making a sketch of a prohibited place in Fife, obtaining information relative to coastguard stations and coastal defence places on the East Coast of Scotland and recording a part of the information on a map.

Mrs. Jordan, who was Scottish born, is the widow of a German.

The Solicitor General for Scotland said that the foreign agents mentioned were in Germany.—Reuter Special.

## EXCHANGE

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| Demand           | 1s. 2 1/2 |
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| 4 m/c France              | 31 1/2   |
| 20 d/s India              | 1.04     |
| U.S. Cross rate in London | 4.08 1/2 |

LAWN BOWLS  
MEETING

A meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association will be held at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, May 19, for the purpose of making the draw for the Open Pairs Championship.

make the "thousand" run before another year has passed and I dare say Australians are expecting that it will be Marshall who takes possession of the trophy which Burroughes and Watts are offering to the amateur player who first makes a four-figure break.

OUR GUIDE  
TO THE  
CINEMAS

"Merrily We Live" (King's Theatre, to-day).—A merry yarn about a delightfully diffuse matron (Billie Burke) whose hobby is putting tramps back on their feet. When unshaven, wayfaring Brian Aherne wants to use her telephone, her eyes light up and the fun starts. When daughter Constance Bennett's eyes also light up at the sight of the handsome chauffeur, into which the unshaven tramp has turned, there is a delightful family ruckus. It is kept at a good pace by Norman McLeod, the director, whose task has been made easier by the efforts of the principals and Alan Mowbray, Clarence Kolb, Bonita Granville and Patsy Kelly.

"The Great Garrick" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—The picture is based on an imaginary episode in the life of the great English actor, David Garrick. James White, the director, has infused the production with an air which enhances both the comic and the romantic angles. Brian Aherne established himself as a romantic actor of the front rank, thus proving his versatility (his picture at the King's is a delicious up-to-date comedy). Olivia de Havilland, as the lady in distress, is adequate, while the supporting players are all very good.

"Sanders of the River" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—One of the best British pictures produced a couple of years ago. Those who did not see it when it was first shown should not miss it now. The cast includes Leslie Banks, Paul Robeson and Nina McKinnay.

"Penrod and His Twin Brother" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—The Mauch twins, who proved so charming in "The Prince and the Pauper," are back again, as only to be expected. They are a refreshing pair on the screen, typifying the sturdy, fun-loving American boys of to-day. A delightful show for parents and kiddies. The cast includes Spring Byington, Frank Craven and others.

"The Awful Truth" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Much has been said of this picture, which has been shown several times in the Colony. It was one of the best comedies produced in 1937. Cary Grant and Irene Dunne have the chief parts.

Aston Villa  
Win First  
Game Of Tour

Viennoise Defeated  
At Soccer

Berlin, May 16.  
The Aston Villa Club of Birmingham, which accepted the invitation to play a series of matches against the German football teams, defeated the Viennese representatives by 3 to 2 goals in the presence of a crowd of 100,000 spectators at the Olympic Stadium here yesterday.

The victory of the British players was due to their better physical condition and superior tactics. The first goal was scored by Aston Villa's outside right, Broome, in the seventh minute. Shortly before the interval, the Viennese centre-forward equalized.

After the interval the Austrians took the offensive, but an excellent defensive combination play of the Britons frustrated all their attacks. The failure of their best efforts, combined with terrific heat and physical superiority, apparently undermined the morale of the Viennese players whose resistance then grew noticeably weaker so that the Britishers were enabled to score twice in succession, giving Aston Villa a three to one lead.

The Austrians scored their second goal during the last few minutes, but their endeavours to equalize the score were frustrated by distinctly superior combination play of the Britishers.—Trans-Ocean.

## NAVY SELECTIONS

The following have been chosen to represent the Navy against the Saigon footballers at Causeway Bay to-day at 5.30 p.m.

Woolford (Medway); Naughton (Defender) and Marriott (Medway); Blair (Rorqual), Dixon (Eagle) and Davies (P.O.'s Course, Kowloon); Speller (Duchess), Cooke (Adventure), Venning (Eagle), Wright (Grimsby) and Hunt (Eagle).  
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## INTERPORT EXPENSES

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That the recent Interport with Macao cost the Association over \$300, but approximately \$100 less than the amount provided for, was stated at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Council held yesterday.

Mr. W. Pryde, the Chairman, said the Interport was a success, although owing to short notice, the Council was not fully represented at the game or the dinner. The gate receipts for the game amounted to \$108.00, less \$80 expenses.

A letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Macao Football Association, expressing thanks for the reception and hospitality, was read.

In connection with the proceeds from the Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition, which amounted to \$4,950, the question of whether or not a sum of \$400 should be allotted to medical relief work was raised.

Mr. W. L. Alexander, the Treasurer, said that, while he was fully sympathetic with medical relief work and the Chinese army, he felt that the proceeds should be confined to local charities, which was the object of the competition. The Chairman associated himself with these remarks, and it was decided to leave the matter to the sub-committee.

The next meeting of the Council will be held on June 20.

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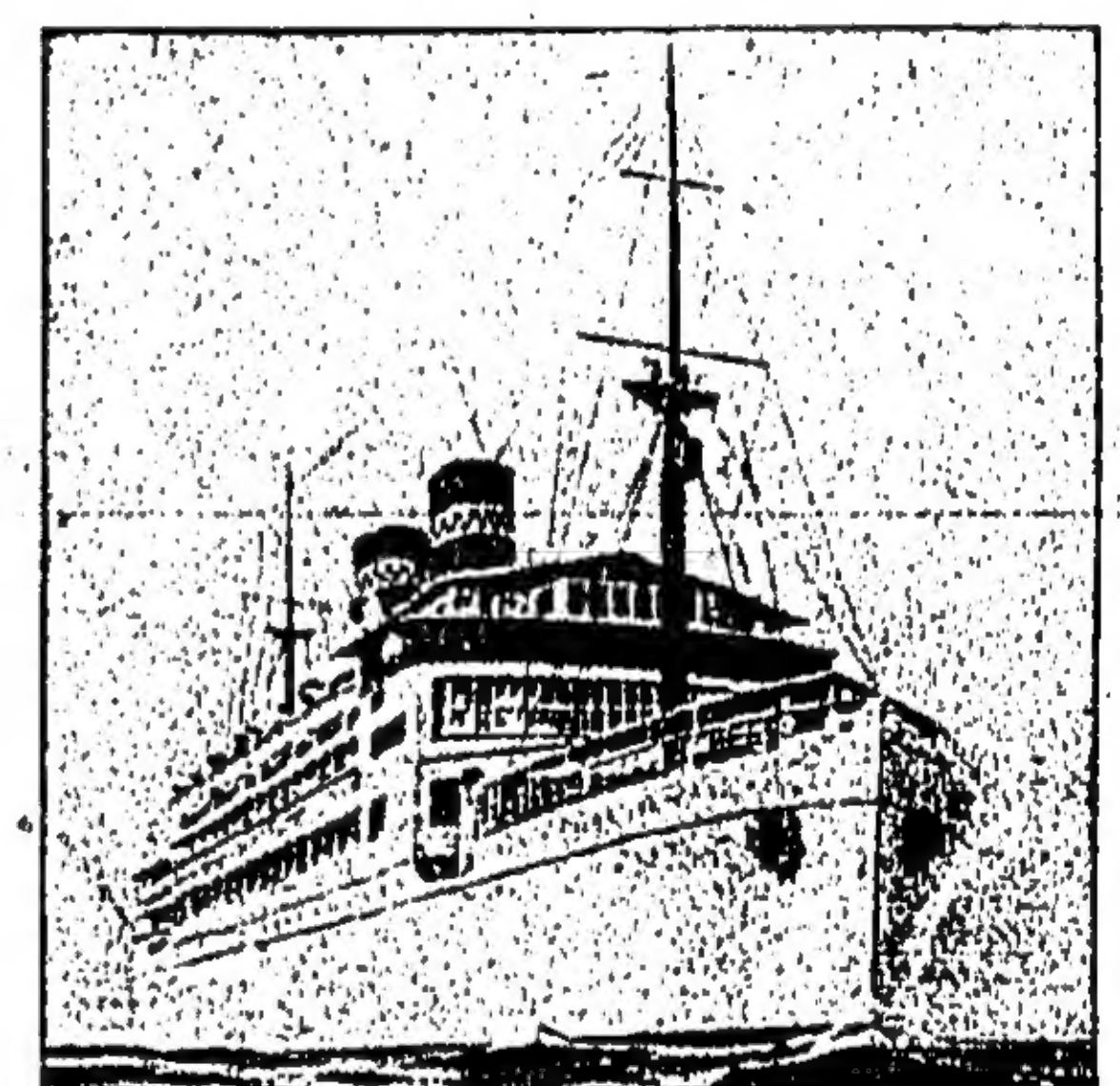
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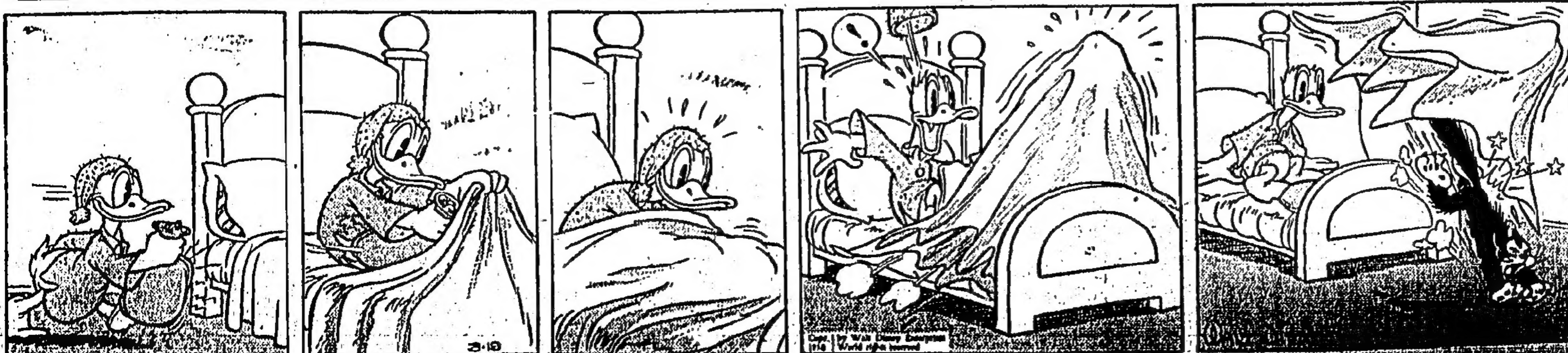
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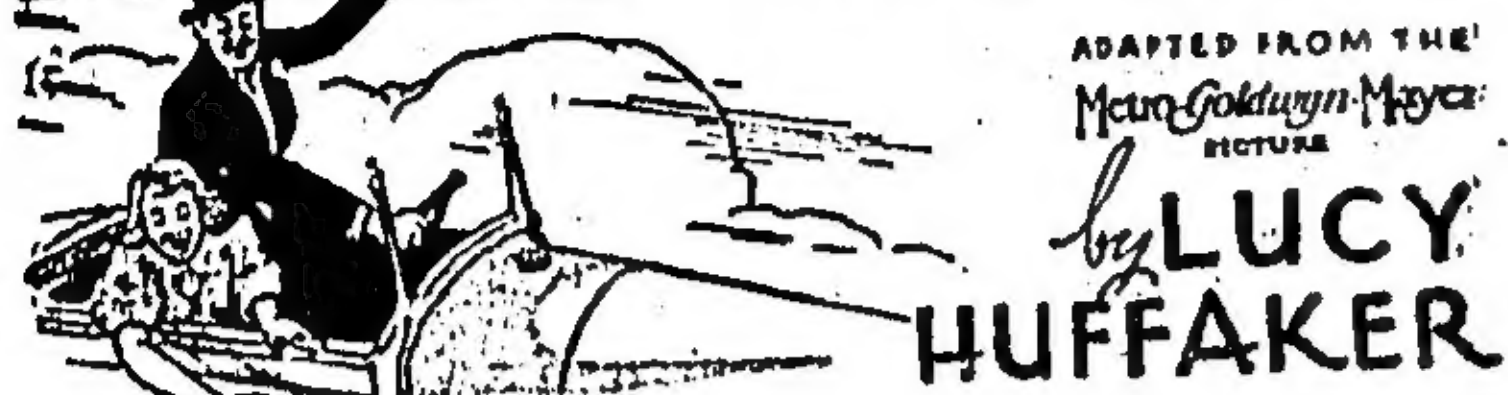
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## SPARE MOMENT PAGE

## MERRILY WE LIVE



**PRECEDING CHAPTERS:**  
Wade Rawlins, novelist, roughing it on the Pacific Coast, is stranded when his car falls in a ravine. At the Kilbourne home he is mistaken for a tramp. Mrs. Kilbourne has a habit of taking in tramps, so before he can explain this situation, he finds himself engaged as chauffeur. Because the family is so humorously accepting, he plans for the value as copy. Mr. Kilbourne wishes to impress Senator Harlan at a dinner party. Mrs. Kilbourne decides Wade must assist in arranging. Just as the guests are arriving, a second car comes on the scene, and he has been in an accident.

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**Chapter Nine**

Grosvener told Wade to go to Mr. Kilbourne and ask what was to be done about the table. If it had to be rearranged, he was to return immediately. If not, he was to go in the cocktail room and see if the man at the bar needed him. Wade tried to obey instructions, but two women were like the proverbial circumstances—he had no control over them. Perhaps Mrs. Kilbourne, if she saw Wade, could have been managed. But Mrs. Kilbourne was with her and the Senator's daughter was a young woman, uninhibited and clever, who did whatever she felt like doing. Unfortunately, at the moment, what she felt like doing was annexing Wade.

"Don't I meet this handsome



stranger?" she asked Mrs. Kilbourne.

Mrs. Kilbourne murmured that it was Rawlins—Wade Rawlins. Minerva put out her hand. Wade pretended not to see it, but he could not shake her hand loose, when she took his arm. Nor could he refuse to lend her his. Finally, in desperation, he said he wished Mrs. Harlan would allow him to tell him all about himself. She said she knew everything which mattered. He was not too young, he was a little too handsome, he was a trifle old-fashioned. Why should he blush at what she was saying? So much, so good. But—perhaps he was attached? He was almost stammering as he told her that he was unattached, but there was something he must say—he was cut short by her saying she knew all she wanted to know. Later on—much later on—for they were to see a great deal of each other—he could tell her all about himself. Now she wanted to introduce him to some of her friends.

He was growing more uncomfortable by the minute. Then he saw Mr. Kilbourne had come into the room, had seen what was happening and had dashed away. If he could get to Mrs. Kilbourne while her husband was there, he could ask that important question about the table and then make a run for the dining room. Of course it would be impossible for him to help serve, but at least this masquerade which had been forced on him, would come to an end. By that time, he would be an almost superhuman effort, he did manage to reach the reception room as Mr. Kilbourne had hoped to have a chance to talk to the senator. Of course he would not be so crude as to ask him to give him his support to the bond issue but he might talk around the matter. But the senator meant it when he said he wanted to talk to Wade.

Mr. Kilbourne could not hear what they were saying in the drawing room later on. He might have lost that anxious look on his face if he had heard the last part of their conversation.

"By the way," the senator asked, "you're the one associated with Kilbourne, aren't you? Of course this is all off the record—but I'd like to know what you think of this bond issue of his."

"Bond issue? Oh yes. All I can say is—and this may go on the record—if Mr. Kilbourne is interested in it, it is all right."

as she wants you to."

Mr. Kilbourne suggested to the senator that he and his wife might accompany him to the bar and have a drink.

"Of course," said the senator, "we will all go."

Jerry was at the bar. Her father tried to whisper to her. She was a good daughter and bright. She might be able to do something. She looked as angry as he felt, when she saw Minerva's arm through Wade's. But she turned away after greeting the senator and his wife.

"Dinner is served," announced Grosvener in the doorway.

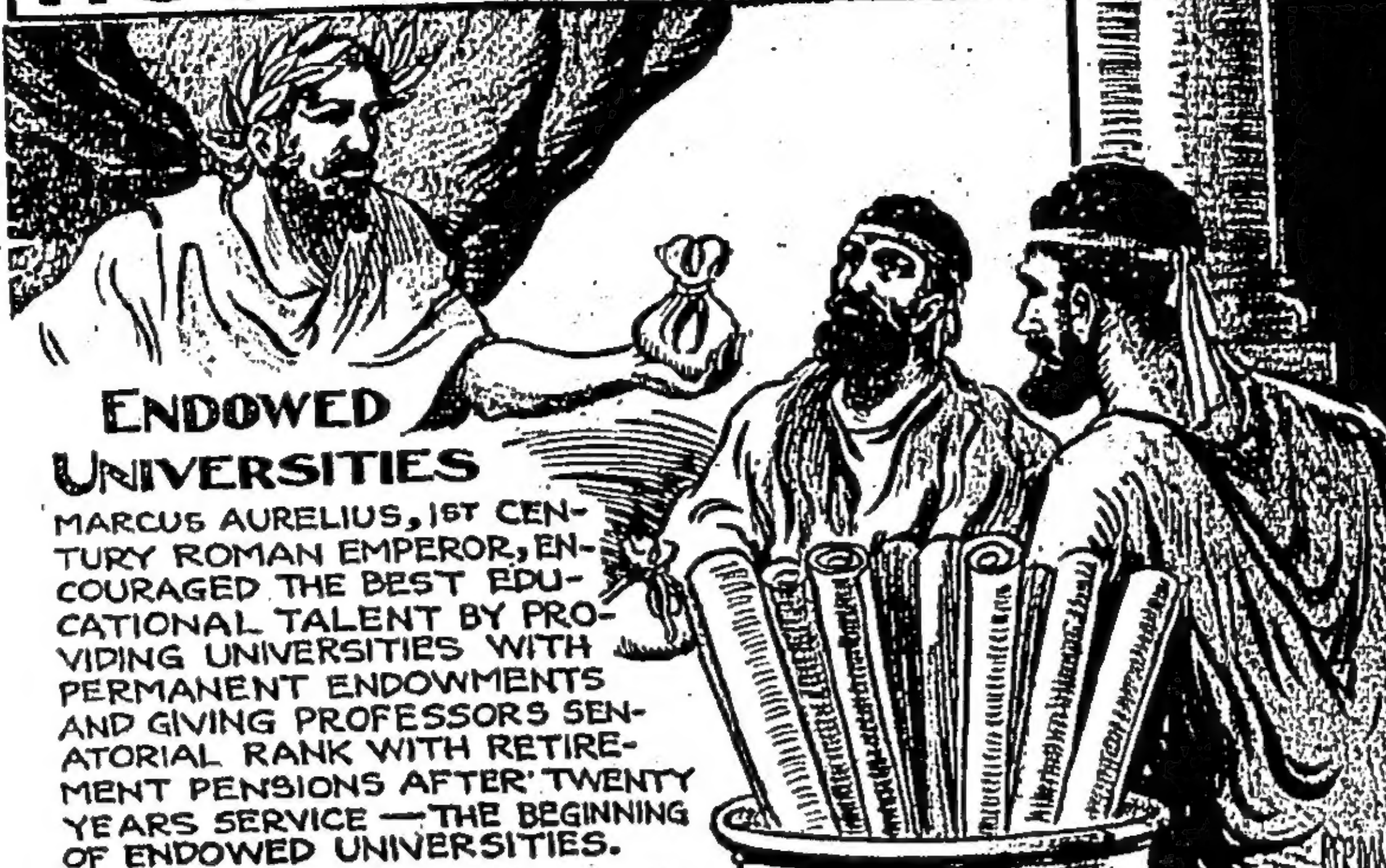
Wade was as panicky as Mr. Kilbourne, as he felt himself being propelled by Minerva into the dining room. If only he had Grosvener's propensity for fainting!

He followed Minerva and was just about to take the chair beside her when Mrs. Kilbourne spoke.

"Why, Wade," she said, "you don't belong here. Mr. Kilbourne, Jerry, Marlan and Kane all caught their breath. At this moment for her to try to sit matters right."

## HOW IT BEGAN

By Paul F. Berdanier



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## Can We Dream the Future?

By Sir Herbert Barker

**WHAT** happens to the soul in sleep? Since the dawn of time this question has fascinated the mind of man, and never more so than when the suggestion is made that in the sleeping state he attains at times an abnormal vision which gives him knowledge of future events.

To suppose that this claim is one first made in modern times is an error. For the Egyptians, the Medes, the Persians, the Greeks, Romans, Chinese, and Hindus have all pondered over this mystery. References to prophetic dreams and to dreams revealing knowledge of coming events are equally frequent in the Old Testament.

Has this faculty of dreaming into the future a reality for us; that is, do people still have this strange and awe-inspiring experience? The weight of evidence that this is so is little short of convincing. Let me give some instances that are vouched for in a very thorough way.

Take, for example, the dream of the future experienced by Princess Emma Carolath. She set this dream down, and that record was read by people before the confirmation by Time of its contents.

**Two Years After**  
The Princess had fallen asleep anxious about a dear one. She presently found herself in an unknown castle and in an octagonal cabinet wherein was a bed, a lamp over it, and at its head, a picture of Christ and verses of the poet Schiller.

Two years later, while on a visit to friends in Hungary, the Princess was to see the castle of her dreams. Later she was more amazed to find herself in the octagonal cabinet, every detail of which was as she had dreamed it two years before.

The fact that this dream was set down in writing, and that writing shown to others, invalidates any charge of fraud. We must, it seems, accept that as a proven case of a dream into the future. When we find, however, that this is but one of many such dreams incontestably authenticated, then we shift from the question of the fact to the interpretation of it.

**The War to Come**  
Perhaps the most astounding case recorded is the well-known one of Monsieur A. Sorel, who dreamed, in a most vivid detail in 1911, an episode that actually occurred to him during the Great War. He foresaw accurately the place, the men, and their features (recognizing them immediately when the dream became fact) and the action in every particular.

His ship was the *Wladimir*, which came into collision with the *Sineux*. The *Sineux* was among those drowned.

Now, if my readers will accept, even if only for argument's sake, the truth of these records, and accept the fact that man does, now and then, dream into the future, we can pass to the problem presented to us by this great mystery.

**Automata of Fate**  
The first thing that will occur to most people will be this: If we can dream the future, then the future is preordained and we can no longer claim free-will. And it does most surely seem that there can be no squaring of prescience and free-will.

Well, I confess, their difficulty is my own. If we surrender belief in free-will, we are faced with a feeling of impotence: we are the automata of fate, and what will be will be. But human egotism revolts from that solution: it insists on its own deep-rooted conceit; it takes the heart out of us, wipes out the significance of life with its struggles, defeats, and triumphs. Personally, I feel that the explanation lies somewhere in our conception of time, and that only when we change the common conception of it that we have can we begin to come to grips with our problem.

**Concepts of Time**  
Can I say, for example, that in looking at the night sky, when the stars are thickly scattered over the vast and awe-inspiring dome, I am seeing things in the present?

Of course, I cannot. I see, maybe, the light of a star that ceased to exist a thousand years before the final stone was placed on the pyramid of Cheops. I see it now, in the light from that star, past. What is in my present? The light from that star, at unimaginable speed across the empty wastes of interstellar space, now reaches the retina of my eye and stimulates my optic nerve.

As I stand and ponder, the obvious reality of the external world about me dissolves into mystery. I say, perhaps, that I stand still and watch that sky. Well, in relation to what do I stand still? Certainly not in relation to the stars or to the moon, for I am part of the planet earth and that planet earth is in perpetual motion.

We have, it seems to me, to change our conception of time; for time, as modern astro-physicists are discovering, is not that single one-way river of our everyday conception. It is even possible that there is more than one time. That daring theory has been advanced by a brilliant mathematician in the last few years.

**The Fourth Dimension**  
I have tried to comprehend this theory, the theory of Serialism, but have to confess that beyond obtaining a certain glimmering of the writer's meaning, I retire baffled by it.

The great difficulty that besets us in our efforts to understand how it may be possible to foresee the future lies in the fact that we habitually think in three dimensions. When we come to the problem of the future we enter the mystic realm of the fourth dimension. It is not easy to think fourth-dimensionally. For any but the mystic and the mathematician it is, perhaps, impossible.

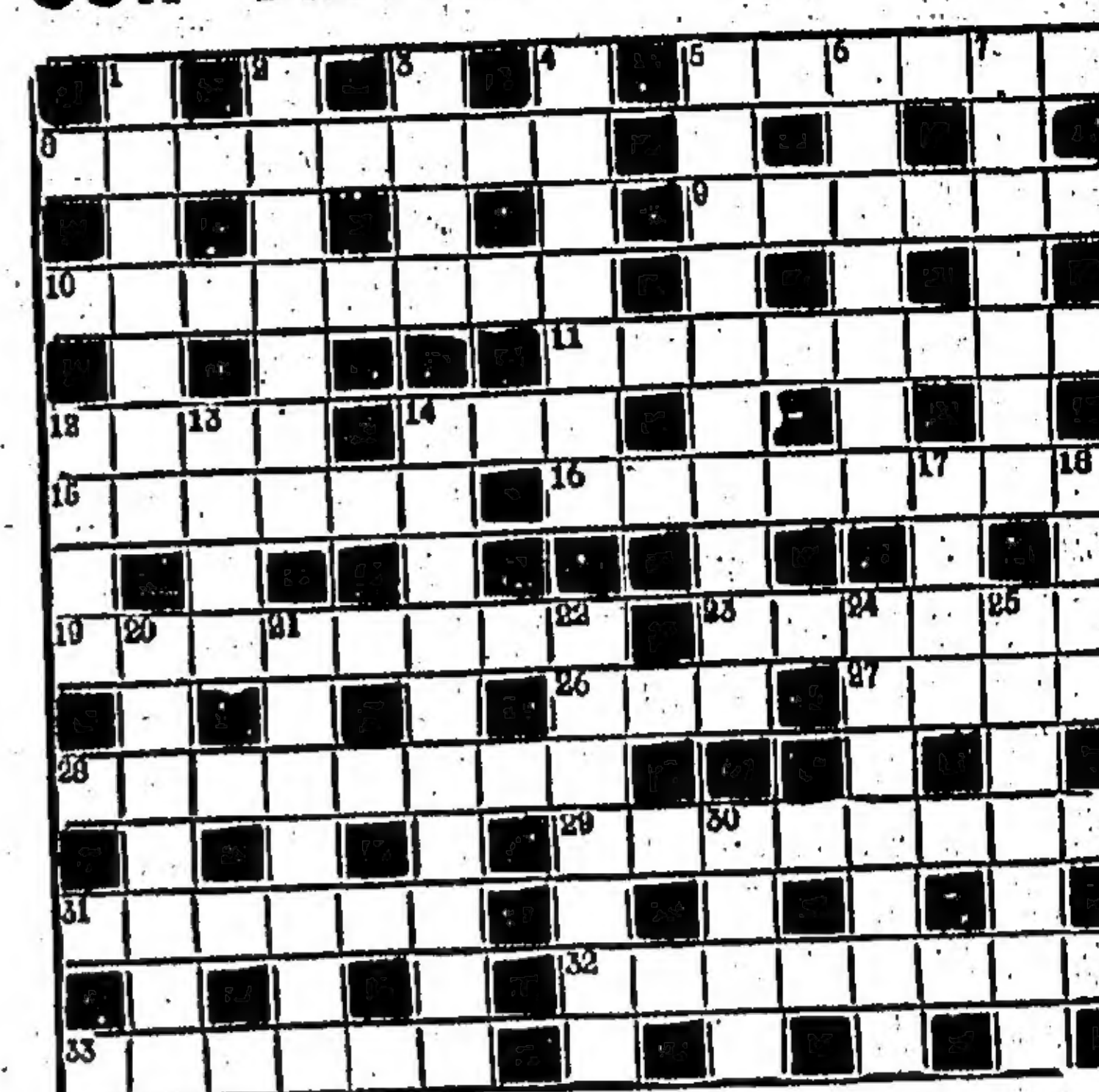
Yet there, somewhere, lies the answer to the riddle. I have placed before my readers to-day, no less, I accept the truth of these phenomena of sight of future events, but I do so without surrendering my faith that, within limits, we possess free-will.

The evidence of knowledge proceeds, it sometimes seems, with mathematical progression, and we may one day possess the solution of the riddle, may learn the great uncharted realm of Dreamland, even so direct the waking will as to influence the journeys of the soul while the body lies, inert, wrapped in darkness and in dreams.

In attempting to survey this problem I stand precisely where most of my readers stand, armed with scant knowledge and full of bewilderment. I consider how I have come to regard time, and I see that it is present and so to future, a one-way stream along which we move in orderly procession. And directly I look closely at this idea I see at once how false it is.

Nothing is so dangerous when striving, however inadequately, to grapple with the majestic problems of life, as the easy acceptance of the obvious. We talk of common sense, and you may say that it is common sense that we cannot look into the future from the uncharted realm of dreams. But such common sense dissolves itself into uncommon nonsense.

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  - Part of this plant can catch butterflies (6)
  - This game shows two vehicles back to back at the finish (8)
  - A cannibal might this one with being the last part (8)
  - Allot what sounds edible (4)
  - The sober man does not like swing about this (3)
  - Mostly flowery warning (8)
  - A bridge expert perhaps (8)
  - A soldier would have to do more than say the sound of the inside to deserve this memorial (6)
  - Saving grace, but with a flaw (6)
  - Flatter sincerely (3)
  - There's nothing in beer to suggest bitterness (4)
  - It may be a fine affair if your wireless set is not this (8)
  - In the East this might be collecting sultans (8)
  - Part of your car (6)
  - Looking angry is anything but tonic in effect (8)
  - This may sometimes be seen around a calm (6)
- DOWN**
- It ought not to be taken lightly (7)
  - He is never free from pain—may be he suffers from a form of youth! (7)
  - This only comes out by night (4)
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## Only Afghan Hound In Far East Owned By Hongkong Man

### PUPS SENT TO HOLLYWOOD FOR FILM STARS

IT cannot be said that Hongkong makes strenuous conscious efforts to achieve records, or the unusual, but quite often the achievement has to be recognised. When such is the case, it becomes news, and news it is that

Mr. M. H. Howell, of Malcolm and Company, in Hongkong, possesses the only Afghan Hound and bitch in the Far East.

The Afghan Hound is one of the most famous of all breeds of dogs, and now one of the rarest, which, in its country of origin is held in such high regard, that it is the one type of dog which the Afghan's religion permits him to touch. The dog is treated with a consideration, bordering on reverence, and is given an equal status in a man's house to that of his wife and children. But the breed is slowly becoming extinct, and because of this it is extremely difficult to obtain one of its type. Mr. Howell's possessions, therefore, are of more than passing value and interest.

Equally important is the fact that he was recently presented with a litter of seven pups by the bitch, and that two of them are now on their way to Hollywood, where, it is believed, there is a great demand for the Afghan Hound.

#### FILM STARS MAY BUY THEM

According to Mr. Howell, the film star, Jack Oakie had two such pups shipped to him from Bombay last December, but they died before they reached him.

Mr. Howell's pups are due to arrive in America in the next day or two. They have been specially tended on the trip, for they require constant, and special attention. Mr. Howell has no immediate prospective buyers of the dogs, but it is certain that one or another of Hollywood's movie stars will desire them. Five other pups were also born, and they are now in various parts of China, but in Mr. Howell's possession is the only full grown Afghan Hound and bitch in the Far East.

The following interesting notes about the breed are supplied by "Great Dane":

#### ANCIENT BREED

The Afghan Hound, as the name may seem to imply, is not confined to Afghanistan in its origin, as the breed is to be found in large numbers all along the Borderland and Northern India, where it is also known as the Barakzal Kurram Valley Hound.

### STOP PRESS

#### KINSIANG TAKEN BY JAPANESE

Hsuechow, May 17. Kinsiang in west Shantung - has fallen into Japanese hands, according to military advices. The Chinese evacuated that city on May 15 after severe street fighting. They have taken up new positions in the immediate suburbs and are waiting for reinforcements for a counter-attack.

The Japanese troops which took Hsuechow on May 14 have remained inactive the last two days - Central News.



Mr. Howell's Afghan Hound, which is a particularly fine specimen of this rare breed.

There is really no doubt that the Afghan Hound is one of the most ancient breeds in the world; so old, in fact, that the Afghan Shikaris claim that this was the breed favoured by Noah, and taken into the Ark with him. How far this may be true, history does not say, but there is every evidence that the type has not changed with centuries. "Yet no man knoweth whence they came, but there they are and there they stay."

It is well known that the native chiefs and hunters highly prize their respective strains and guard them with jealous care.

It is said that an Afghan has blue blood in its veins than any other dog in the world. Its pedigree runs back centuries before the Christian era. Portraits of its ancestors appear engraved upon cuneiform pillars, and tablets.

The Afghan in its native country is utilized to guard sheep and cattle, also for other purposes such as hunting deer and the smaller wild animals, and it has been known to attack and kill a leopard and panther.

Up to 1914, the Afghan Hound was practically unknown in the British Isles, but an occasional specimen was brought over and looked upon as a great curiosity. One of the first of

these was "Mustapha", an Afghan owned by the Shah of Persia.

Actually the first Afghan to come before the British public was the hound "Zardin", which was exhibited at the Kennel Club Championship Show in 1907 by Mrs. Barff, taking first prize in the Foreign Dog class. So much, indeed, was the interest taken in the dog, that Queen Alexandra expressed a wish to see him. "Zardin" was afterwards taken as the accepted model of the perfect Afghan Hound, and the Standard of Points of the Afghan Hound Association was fixed from him. His embalmed body can be seen in the British Museum.

Soon after its introduction the Afghan grew into favour, not only because of its beauty and picturesque appearance, but also because of its many excellent qualities as a companion and guard.

The Afghan is neither a giant nor a dwarf standing at about 27" and weighs 50/60 pounds when fully grown. It is handsome too with its soft brown eyes and long silky coat of golden reds with fawn feathering. Its disposition the Afghan is naturally bold and loyal to its master, the latter characteristic makes it ideal as a protector of the Home and a Defender of the family.

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## JAPANESE MASS FOR HSUCHOW ATTACK

### ONLY MILE AWAY FROM OBJECTIVE

### Encountering Very Strong Chinese Resistance

Shanghai, May 17.

A Domei report, issued at 10 a.m., states that Japanese troops have invaded the hills west of Hsuehchow owing to heavy Chinese resistance on the direct route of invasion, along the Yungcheng-Hsuehchow highway.

The Chinese forces are massed beyond Shiao-hsien.

Another Domei message issued at 10.10 a.m. reports that Japanese troops are massing a mile west of Hsuehchow, preparatory to a general attack.

The invading forces include strong motorised units, which are battering the Chinese troops along the Yungcheng highway.

A Japanese spokesman says that the Hsuehchow area has been divided into small squares, which large individual air squadrons are systematically demolishing.

Not one Chinese plane was sighted yesterday throughout the whole of China, the spokesman declared.—United Press.

#### Claim Hills Occupied

Shanghai, May 16.  
A Domei report states that Japanese troops, advancing from Shiao-hsien, have occupied the hills west of Hsuehchow, from where they claim they are able to bombard the city.

The report does not indicate whether the attack on Hsuehchow has begun.—United Press.

#### Japanese Review Situation

Shanghai, May 16.  
Japanese reports state that Japanese planes heavily bombed Chinese troop concentrations inside Tangshan's walls, also at Suhsien and Kuchien and twenty nearby villages.

The Japanese report states that the Lungkuang Railway was severed first of all at Nethwang, ten miles south-east of Tangshan, where further progress has not been reported.

The line was severed again at Wangchi bridge, three miles east of Tangshan, a third column straddled it at Sinanchen, and a fourth column, while a fourth column straddled it at Paoche, 18 miles west of Sinanchen.

While foreign military observers anticipated an immediate renewal of broadside Chinese attacks on the Tientsin-Pukow railway from the west, the Chinese military leaders (Continued on Page 7.)

### Destroyers Intervene

#### Japanese Prevent Seizure Of Ship

Fusan, Korea, May 17.  
Naval authorities of the Chinese station, Korea, report that Japanese destroyers succeeded in saving the Akashi Maru, 50 tons, from a Soviet patrol ship which attempted to seize her about 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon ten miles off Kamao Maritime Province.

The Akashi Maru returned to Salsu in northern Korea on Sunday under escort of a destroyer.

It is learned that the Soviet patrol ship irregularly ordered the Akashi Maru to stop, when in open waters at one o'clock on Sunday. All members of the crew were confined in a cabin and an attempt was made to tow the Japanese ship into Soviet territorial waters.

The Soviet crew are charged with robbing the Japanese sailors of a watch and other possessions, but all members of the Japanese crew are safe.—Domei.

### CHINESE INSIST GROUND RETAINED

#### Counter Blows To Save Lunghai Railway

Hankow, May 17.

Severest fighting is raging in western Shantung, where the Chinese forces evacuated Kinghsiang on Sunday morning, according to Chinese reports from the front.

Japanese troops from Tsaochowfu are stated to be moving in a south-westerly direction on Kinghsiang and Chuyau, and a small detachment has reached Lungkwantsi and Matoutsu villages, 12½ miles north-east of Kaochen.

Kaochen is north-east of Lanfeng, on the Lungkuang Railway, and this has apparently given rise to the Japanese report that Japanese troops have cut the railway at Lanfeng.

Chinese forces at Kaochen have launched a vigorous counter-attack on the Japanese approaching from Tsaochowfu, and, according to Chinese reports, have dispersed the Japanese detachment near Kaochen.

Another Japanese detachment has reached Tawangsi, eight miles north of Tsaochowfu, but, states the Chinese report, the invaders quickly retired when Chinese troops engaged them.

The Chinese reports also claim that a Japanese detachment appearing 14 miles south-east of Tangshan, west of Hsuehchow, retired when the Chinese subjected it to heavy artillery fire and infantry attacks.

The Japanese column advancing on Yungchen comprised mechanised cavalry, and included more than 80 tanks. One detachment of this column is stated to be heading for Tangshan, while another is advancing in the direction of Kweliang.

#### Threaten Japanese Rear

While the Chinese forces with their backs to the Lungkuang Railway are fighting desperately, and holding on to their positions south of the railway, Chinese flying columns are attacking Yungchen and Mengchen, threatening the Japanese rear.

A Japanese column advancing north of Hsuehchow has been halted at Funging, in northern Kiangsu, (Continued on Page 7.)

## British Troops On Guard At Shanghai Court

### GREAT IMPERIAL AIRPORT



Here is a rafter-climber's view of one of the busiest hangars in the British Empire. It is at Kai Tak. Big planes are crowded into the building, two giant, bi-motor, silver bodied, new monoplanes for the C.N.A.C., a fast tri-motor Eurasia machine, the Imperial Airways Daedalus, hidden on the right by the C.N.A.C. ship in the foreground, and a number of smaller craft. And approaching the hangar, just after landing, is another swift Eurasia passenger and mail plane from Hankow. Beyond, in the background, are the buildings which house the R.A.F., steadily expanding the Hongkong air defence system.—Staff Photographer.

### FEARFUL AIR RAID SHATTERS HSUEHCHOW

#### Over 100 Planes Bomb Stronghold

Peiping, May 17.

What was stated by a Japanese spokesman to be the largest aerial operation ever carried out at one time in China was made yesterday.

Over a hundred Japanese planes appeared over the city of Hsuehchow dropping more than 200 bombs.

The raids were made in eight waves of over a dozen planes each.—United Press.

Hsuehchow has been almost continuously bombed, day and night, for the past ten days. Chinese reports since Monday last week state that over 6,000 civilians have been killed in the raids, which have demolished more than half the city.

Since May 8, more than a thousand bombs have been dropped on Hsuehchow, according to Chinese reports.

#### OUT IN FORCE

Shanghai, May 17.  
Flights of naval air raiders, each consisting of more than 12 raiders, visited Hsuehchow and vicinity on Monday, a naval spokesman announced this morning.

Two flights of heavy bombers each dropped more than 200 missiles, he said.

Additionally, independent flights of naval air raiders of three to eight in each flight also assisted in the army's advance on the Chinese stronghold.

Chinese positions east of Hsuehchow were attacked, especially at Kangcheng, Chaotung, Tainno, West Menghsien, along the Grand Canal and Suhsien on the Tientsin-Pukow line.

#### SOUTH CHINA RAIDS

Operations in South China, according to a spokesman at this morning's press conference, include raids on the Pailun aerodrome, near Canton, and on Meishien, Lungki, Kuitien and Kienow.

Freight cars at Satsun, on the Canton-Kowloon Railway, were also bombed, as were some junks, allegedly transporting munitions to Samsui, he stated.—Domei.

### S'HAU INQUEST VERDICT

Shanghai, May 17.

After two adjournments the inquest on Mr. Harold Porter, the Briton who was found dead in the harbour here, concluded to-day.

The coroner returned a verdict that Mr. Porter was found dead, there being no evidence to show the cause of death.—Reuter.

### STRIKING CHINESE GAINS REPORTED ON SHANSI FRONT

Hankow, May 17.

A Chinese spokesman declared to-day that the Chinese forces in Shansi had recaptured 34 cities in the previously-occupied Japanese area and from March 7 to May 10 had inflicted upon the Japanese casualties totalling 27,780 killed and wounded.

It is pointed out that the Japanese invaded Shansi hoping to drive south-west and support the drive along the Peiping-Hankow railway.

### GUERRILLAS ATTACK NEAR S'HAU

#### Gunfire Audible In International Area

Hankow, May 17.

While the Japanese are concentrating their efforts to the Hsuehchow front, regular Chinese troops and guerrillas have succeeded in recapturing a number of villages in the Shanghai-Hangchow area, including the important southern Chekiang coastal town of Chinsanwei.

The guerrillas and mobile units are also operating over a wide area in the Pootung peninsula, and are in complete control of the Chuanhsia and Newwei sections. It is claimed. A number of small bands have advanced close to Shanghai and gunfire is audible in the International Settlement and French Concession.

The Japanese garrison at Chapoo, on the Shanghai-Hangchow highway, have been subjected to repeated surprise raids by Chinese mobile units. Japanese planes are patrolling the area each day but have failed to locate the exact hide-out of the attackers.

Pinghsu, important town near Mokonsan resort, has been surrounded by the Chinese for more than a month, and the Japanese trapped inside have not been able to break through the cordon.—Central News.

### Employers, T.U.C. Chiefs To Confer

#### Britain's Armament Programme

London, May 16.

On May 15 a joint conference between employers and Trade Unions in the chief industries involved in re-armament work will be held to explore further questions raised by the recent appeal by the Prime Minister Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and Sir Thomas Inskip, the Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, to both sides in these industries to consider together means of facilitating production in connection with Government's accelerated re-armament programme.

### ANTICIPATE JAPAN'S ATTEMPTED SEIZURE IN NAME OF NANKING

#### U. S. Marines Also Posted At Kiangsu High Court

Shanghai, May 17.

Considerable tension was felt yesterday in the First Special District Court, and the second branch of the Kiangsu High Court, as reports were circulated that the "reformed" Nanking Government intended to assume control of them.

The First Special District Court is situated in the British defence sector, and, following the rumours, reinforcements of British troops were sent to the Court, which is now closely guarded by detachments of the Seaforth Highlanders.

It is understood that further British soldiers are in readiness at the Race Course to be despatched to the scene should they be needed.

At the same time, two squads of U.S. Marines have been sent to guard the Kiangsu High Court premises, which are situated in the American defence sector.

No attempt was made by the Japanese to seize either court, but a delegation of Japanese jurists visited the First Special District Court this morning. The delegation comprised the Chief Procurator of the Tokyo High Court and two Procurators, accompanied by an interpreter. Questioned on the subject, the Japanese spokesman this morning declared that the question of taking over the courts was under discussion. He saw no reason why the reformed Government should not take over and operate the courts under the terms of the Rendition Agreement. "The Shanghai Municipal authorities and the Powers concerned should co-operate," the spokesman added. The reformed Government will attempt to take over the Courts in a peaceful manner, the spokesman concluded.—Reuter.

### Local Yacht Weathers Severe Blow

Squadron Leader and Mrs. G. Francis, who set out from Hongkong early this month in their locally-constructed yacht Maonshan, arrived at Saigon on Tuesday last week.

Severely buffeted in the typhoon in which it was at first feared the yacht might have foundered, the Maonshan was in need of repairs when it arrived at Saigon. These have been carried out and the Maonshan left for Singapore last Friday.

### Dutch Plane Coming Here On Excursion

#### Six-day Flight To Far East Ports

Hongkong will gain its first glimpse of a Lockheed Super Electra, the fastest airliner in commercial production, when the Royal Netherlands Indies Airways (K.N.I.M.) uses one of these planes on a Whitsun-week excursion from Batavia to Hongkong and return.

The plane will leave Batavia about June 3 and will travel to Hongkong via Singapore and Saigon.

The flight will take six days and will cost 600 guilders per passenger, this sum including hotel and all other expenses.

Staying in Singapore and Saigon a day each, the plane will arrive here on June 5, and will remain two days.

#### FORBIDS PHOTOGRAPHS

Peiping, May 16.

The Imperial Japanese Army headquarters here issued a proclamation to-day, forbidding all photography in railway stations, China, including the Pootung peninsula, and the Shanghai-Hangchow highway.

### Li Chung-jen Reported Retreating

Tokyo, May 17.

According to a special message to the Asahi Shimbun from the southern Shantung front, General Li Chung-jen, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese forces in the Hsuehchow sector, has moved his headquarters from Hsuehchow to Kweliang.

Chinese forces are reported to be retreating from Hsuehchow. The Japanese are within a few miles of Hsuehchow. They have captured Fangwangshan and Hsiao-hsien.—Domei.

#### COMPARATIVELY EASY TASK

Tokyo, May 17.

General Count Hsueh Terauchi, who is in Supreme Command of the Japanese forces in North China, has declared that the capture of Hsuehchow will be a comparatively simple matter. He has just concluded an aerial tour of the sector.—Domei.

### FINANCIER PASSES

Philadelphia, May 16.

The noted financier, Mr. Edward Stettin, who helped to finance the big international bank for China, died here to-day.



## CURTAIN CARE

ON the treatment meted out to their lives.

One of the worst mistakes a housewife can make is to let her curtains become too badly soiled before washing them. Curtains never look so dirty when hanging up as they really are, so it is a good plan to take them down before they actually look as if they need cleaning.

The great thing to avoid is the necessity of rubbing, which injures frail curtains and pulls them out of shape.

If, however, the material is really dirty, soak overnight in cold water, in which a lump of salt has been dissolved. The salt has the effect of loosening the dirt, which will come away without rubbing, if the curtains are gently worked and squeezed.

For white curtains, the addition of a little milk to the blue water is an improvement.

Curtains should be allowed to dry thoroughly before starching. If, however, you want them to hang evenly and beautifully, a good plan is to starch them slightly and hang them up while still damp, without ironing. The curtains can be pulled gently into the desired folds, and will dry in that position.

Sometimes curtains have an annoying habit of drying out of shape, and when this happens, no amount of pulling or ironing will put them right again. It will, however, simplify matters if, when they are hung out to dry, the ends are connected at two or three points to the adjoining curtain by means of spring pegs.

For heavier curtains, made of such materials as brocade or velvet, non-rust curtain pins prevent marking. A good idea is to sew tabs of spring tapes at the top of such hangings, and to slip the curtain pins through these tabs instead of through the material itself. This will obviate the risk of tearing the material.

It sometimes happens that light curtains shrink after being washed—especially for the first time. This makes it difficult, or even impossible, to pass the rods through the hems. If the rods are lightly rubbed with talcum powder or French chalk, they will slip through the curtains quite easily and smoothly, without any risk of tearing the material.

D. N.

## JEWEL NOVELTIES

THREE loops of pendant pearls, each swinging an inch below the row above, make the latest evening earrings.

Day-time earrings have golden centres with radiating strips of topaz held in gold settings, representing sunflowers. They look very chic and light-hearted when worn with grey, platinum, and oatmeal.

All the latest earrings are bright and colourful. Sweeping semi-circular rows of cabochon sapphires, round brown topaz, encircled by a row each of small diamonds and pearls, make a pair of fashionable earrings that can be worn for day or night.

Eternity rings are being worn by many smart women just now, but at first glance they appear startlingly bulky. Some are set all round with fairly large cabochon rubies, sapphires, or emeralds. Others bear square-cut aquamarines, emeralds or topaz. Eternity rings are also very lovely when set with pearls.

Some of the most exclusive brooches of the season are made in the form of "ribbon" bows and loops composed of gold or precious stones. Often they have trailing fish-tail "ends." Emerald and topaz are often put together in the same brooch or clip.

## Your Phone Voice

SO much of our social life is conducted over the telephone these days that a charming phone voice is essential to the woman who wishes to be a social success.

Abruptness, talkativeness, and indistinctness are the three cardinal faults of most people on the telephone. Abruptness is a common failing. However, charming and attractive the speaker may be, on the telephone only the voice conveys an impression of personality.

As for talkativeness—most of us have suffered from people who will go on and on talking on the phone or anywhere else. So remember to "keep it short."

Lastly, there is the woman who talks with her mouth about a foot from the mouthpiece. No phone can transmit efficiently under these conditions.

## SAVOURY SARDINES

A CHANGE can be made from serving sardines cold on toast by frying them up in their own oil and serving them on triangles of hot unbuttered toast.

"Little buttercups" are tasty morsels for high tea or supper. Spread some thin slices of brown bread with butter mixed with chopped parsley and a squeeze of lemon juice.

Cut the slices into fingers, and on each finger put, first, a sardine, then a thin slice of chutney.

Sprinkle lightly with cayenne and squeeze a little lemon juice over each finger.

# SING in the RAIN!



THE three smart girls have made a good choice.

By MARY GRACE

SUMMER showers ahead! You want to follow the example of the three smart girls on this page and buy yourself a cheerful macintosh.

Remember, it might rain over the week-end, so prepare to pack a macintosh in your suitcase and save your new outfit from a drenching.

Don't start off by thinking wet weather clothes are dull and uninteresting. Take another look at the three gay girls on this page.

## Snapshots From Paris

THE face of a girl who scorns make-up has a strangely naked look.

Have you ever seen a woman whose complexion has been scrubbed with soap, surrounded by male admirers?

A face without make-up has the same effect as going to a dance wearing tweeds and wading boots.

Any woman can wear any colour, but it is the selection of its variation to suit her individual needs, that is important.

Monotone dresses in Paris are quibbled by brilliantly-coloured jackets.

Concerning contemporary fashions, it is a fact that on the whole they seem still to be anchored more or less to sane rationalism.

Fashions are in great demand again. This means ostrich dyed and curled, or ostrich in the natural grizzly tone, and straight as string.

Do you remember how, as a young girl, you looked at your face in the mirror and wished that you had a differently shaped mouth, not to mention nose, teeth, ears, and hair?

You used to believe that the only thing to do with your face was to be resigned to it. Times have brightened considerably since then.

To-day any form of artificiality, as well as any form of artificiality, can be produced by make-up.

Fashion Correspondent

Susan on the right laughs at umbrellas and carries that pretty transparent oiled silk affair just for show, and to offset her pretty larkspur blue waterproof coat.

This garment is hand made and has an artificial satin lining in the back of the bodice. Another important point is a waist high inverted pleat at back. This gives plenty of room over a rather bulky sports suit.

Green is another favourite colour, so is navy or grey; and practical shades of fawn show several tonings, including an off white shade that is particularly smart for town or country wear.

The raglan cut in a waterproof gives an easy sitting at the top of the arm. If you like a more dressy "mac," have the checked affair on the left. Chocolate brown, blue or black are a good choice of colourings, with the pattern carried out in white.

Fancy material used is light in weight and the garment is also cut with a deep inverted pleat at back. The elastic gipsey hankle gives a cheerful holiday note.

Dagger point clip fastenings are the season's contrast note and fashion

point in the third model, which is cheap at twelve and sixpence. In off white it is trimmed with black, navy, brown or green with white spots. Beaver or fawn with brown, or you can have navy, green or brown trimmed to match.

Neat over-shoes help to dress-up wet weather outfits, and in addition to booties there are new over-shoes with wide bar fastenings. They just cover the edge of the shoe, keeping the soles snug and dry, and when not in use can be popped in your handbag.

It is to Mr. Charles Macintosh himself that we are indebted for garments in which we can brave the elements with impunity. Just over one hundred years ago this clever Scot discovered how to proof a material that could be made up into garments. The idea was a popular one, and the inventor gave his name to the new waterproofs.

The then Duke of York wore a "macintosh" of blue cloth resplendently lined with crimson silk. Waterproof covers for food were used in a North Pole expedition a year or so later, and the Polar pioneers were relieved and delighted to find that they really did not let in the water.

From then onwards macintoshes have got brighter and gayer. Nowadays collaboration with the fashion people ensures that you get not only smart colours, but snappy patterns and fastenings into your wet weather outfit.

and you can still be a "fashion plate" even in the rain.

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MIDGE

"Funny—I think mice are nice, don't you?"

## Bride's Choice In Mirrors

"THE mirrors I choose, will have to do double duty," the bride told me. There are two or three darkish corners in her little house, and she intends her mirrors to act as "window" and highlights too.

The hall is a small square one, with a blank wall facing the door. For brightening up this we selected a long mirror with a narrow carved gold frame.

The frame was grubby and discoloured, but after we cleaned it, it looked like new. First we dusted the frame, then we brushed it with a camel hair brush dipped in a mixture of 4-part warm water and a 1 gill of vinegar. The brush was squeezed partially dry, and we worked up and down the frame, a small piece at a time, till the gilding was bright and clean.

We renewed the liquid and washed the brush from time to time.

Beauty Aid

A similar mirror to place horizontally along the side of the bath is going to prove useful in aiding beauty treatment while bathing (quite the best time) as well as for hubby's shaving and for making the small room look much larger.

Instead of having a mirror over the mantelpiece in the sitting room, we decided to have a colourful picture there and have a round convex mirror on the wall facing the window where it will reflect the little garden, and form a changing picture all the year round.

The kitchen is so planned that when Mary is working at the sink her back is turned to the door where the tradesmen call. We decided to cope with this by having a mirror over the sink at eye level so that she can see in this who is coming.

Annie is having a whitewood kidney-shaped dressing-table in her bedroom we choose a triple mirror on a stand to go on top of this, with a long mirror to hang on the wall.

This we decided to place on the narrow strip of wall between two windows where it will add to the light in the room as well as give full-length reflections in the best way.

And here's a cleaning tip. I told her: "Dust your mirrors with tissue paper, then clean them by rubbing with a soft rag dipped in methylated spirit. Dry with a duster and polish with a leather."

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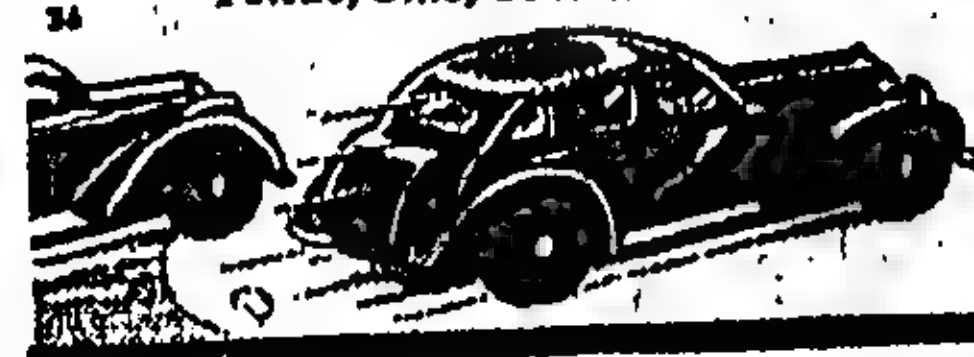
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# Suggests Japan Waging Narcotic War on China

## HOUSE OF COMMONS HEARS OF BRITISH GOVERNMENT STEPS

### Halifax will Consider Representations To Tokyo Authorities

London, May 16.

The alleged greatly increased trafficking in narcotic drugs in China by Japanese and Korean traders under the control of the Japanese Government, was drawn to the attention of the House of Commons to-night by Mr. David Adams.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said the Foreign Office had received reports that there had been a considerable increase in this traffic recently, but he had no reason to suppose it was the outcome of any systematic or deliberate plan.

He believed, said Mr. Butler, that to give publicity to the situation would be more productive of results than any other move. Government, he said, was very much alive to the matter and was using its strongest efforts. Although it had not made representations, Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, would consider the situation.

The Government's information did not bear out that systematic demoralisation was a part of the deliberate policy of the Japanese Government.

### Heroin and Morphine At Very Low Prices

In a further reply, Mr. Butler said he was aware that heroin and morphine were selling at very low prices in North China.

Mr. Adams suggested the price was three half-pence per packet of heroin.

but did not state how much of the drug was contained in the packet.

With regard to the world's production and distribution of these narcotics, the British Government was doing its utmost to control clandestine manufacture and distribution in its territory, under the opium Conventions, Mr. Butler went on.

The League of Nations would shortly consider steps to limit the cultivation of raw materials from which all narcotic drugs are made. —Reuter.

## FEARS FOR BRITISH INTERESTS

Nanking-Appointed Customs Officers Can Do Damage

But Government Not Perturbed

London, May 16.

Mr. A. C. Moreing Conservative, asked in the House of Commons to-night whether the recent appointment of a Superintendent of Customs at Shanghai by the Nanking authorities had been confirmed by Sir Frederick Maze, Inspector-General of Chinese Customs.

He wished to know whether the appointment will be subordinate and under the control of the Inspector-General.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that the answer was negative in both questions.

He explained that Customs superintendents were normally appointed by the Chinese Ministry of Finance and were not under the control of the Inspector-General, although subordinated to his direction.

Mr. Moreing asked whether, as Great Britain had not recognised "the Puppet administration at Nanking," the Government should not refuse to recognise the appointment which may have the most dangerous results for British trade in Shanghai.

Mr. Butler answered: "I am informed that the same principle that prevailed before prevails now." —Reuter.

## PRIME MINISTER HAS GOUT

London, May 16.

The Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, has had a mild attack of gout. He has consequently postponed his visit to Dundee, where he was to have received the Freedom of the City. —Reuter.

## BRITISH CABINET RESHUFFLED AS SWINTON RESIGNS

### Sir Kingsley Wood Named Secretary for Air

London, May 17.

Cabinet changes were announced last night as a consequence of the resignation of Lord Harlech and Lord Swinton, the latter the Secretary of State for Air.

Lord Stanley, becomes Secretary for the Dominions;

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, goes from the Dominions' Office to that of Secretary of State for Colonies;

Sir Kingsley Wood becomes Secretary for Air;

Lieut. Col. D. J. Colville becomes Secretary for Scotland;

Mr. Walter Elliot becomes Minister for Health;

Capt. Euan Wallace is made Financial Secretary of the Treasury;

Lieut.-Col. Muirhead, from Under-Secretary of State for Air, becomes Under-Secretary for India and Burma;

Mr. William Balfour is the new Under-Secretary for Air;

Mr. R. H. Cross becomes Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade.

Lord Swinton's letter of resignation alludes to the political difficulties of a Minister in charge of a great spending department being in the House of Lords and unable to participate in the House of Commons debates. He recalls that he more than once had noticed the Prime Minister whether a change were not desired.

A stage has been reached, he continues, where the disadvantages of interruption, which the Prime Minister wishes to avoid, have been greatly reduced.

### Outlines Air Ministry Work Accomplished

After outlining the work the Air Ministry has already accomplished, Lord Swinton stated that when the Government decided to accelerate its programme it would be possible to give immediate effect to its decision. The personnel requirements of the Royal Air Force of the next two years had been fully worked out, as had also the training arrangements for a large intake of pilots, airmen and boys.

"I leave my work to be judged later in the light of fuller knowledge than obviously can now be made available," Lord Swinton concluded.

### Resignation Accepted With Sincere Regret

Accepting the resignation of the Secretary of State for Air with the sincerest regret, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, wrote to the recent decision to accelerate that it "could not have been started, as has been done, if you had not prepared in advance plans necessary to carry it out and this applies to all branches of your work."

The Prime Minister recognises the truth of the statement that in a great spending department it is a disadvantage if its head is not in the House of Commons, the latter says. And adds: "It is painful to think that our long and fruitful association has come to an end but I hope you will be willing to undertake further public service if the opportunity presents itself." —Reuter.

## U.S. Can't Help British Air Programme

Washington, May 16.

The British Air Mission, which left for Canada on Saturday, according to well-informed official sources here, has reported to the Air Ministry in London that while prices for American planes are reasonable, American manufacturers are at present too busy to produce planes in sufficient quantities to meet Britain's needs. —Reuter.

## France To Buy American Fighting Planes

Paris, May 16. The French Air Ministry has decided to purchase a hundred American fighting planes, with President Roosevelt's permission.

The decision has been taken in view of the inability of French manufacturers to fulfil the first part of the Air Expansion plan.

An official statement expresses the hope that French manufacturers will be able to meet the country's future needs.

It is understood that the first American plane will be delivered next November, and the order will be completed by the spring of 1939.

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

**Banks**  
H.K. Bank, \$1,585 n.  
H.K. Bank, (Lon. Reg.), £92½ n.  
Chartered Bank, £12½ n.  
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., £28 n.  
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.  
East Asia Bank, \$90 n.

**Insurance**  
Canton Ins., \$237 n.  
Union Ins., \$519/20 sa.  
China Underwriters, \$2¼ n.  
H.K. Fire Ins., \$230 sa.

**Shipping**  
Douglas, \$85 n.  
H.K. Steamboats, \$22½ n.  
Indo-China (Prof.), \$50 n.  
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.  
Shell Bearer, \$47½ sa.  
Union Waterways, \$3.90 n.

**Docks etc.**  
H.K. & W. Wharves, \$137 b.  
H.K. & W. Docks, \$21¼ sa.  
H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$21 n.  
H.K. & W. Docks Rts., \$11 n.  
Providents (old), \$3.02½ sa.  
Providents (new), \$3.07½ n.  
New Engineering, Sh. \$4.05 n.  
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$99 n.  
Kailan Mining Adm. 15/3 n.  
Raubs, \$9.60 n.  
Venz, Goldfield, \$2.60 b.  
Hongkong Mines, 10½ cts. n.

**Philippine Mining**  
Antamoks, P. —  
Atoks, P. 27 sa.  
Bagulo Gold, P. 24½ sa.  
Bonguet Consol., P. 9.20 sa.  
Benguet Explor., —  
Big Wedge, P. —  
Coco Gold, P. 51 sa.  
Consolidated Mines, P. —  
Demonstrations, P. —  
E. Mindanao, P. —  
Gumaus G'fields, P. —  
Ips Gold, P. —  
I.K.L. P. 67 sa.

**Land, Hotels, etc.**  
H. and S. Hotels, \$7.10 n.  
H.K. Lands, \$37 n.  
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben \$101 b.  
Shai Lands, Sh. \$9 n.  
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —  
Humphries, \$9.15 n.  
H.K. Realities, \$5½ sa.  
Chinese Estates, \$100 n.  
China Realities, Sh. —  
China Deben, —

**Public Utilities**  
H.K. Tramways, \$17.30/15 sa.  
Peak Trams (old), \$7 b.  
Peak Trams (new), \$9¾ n.  
Star Ferries, \$80 b.  
Yaumati Ferries rights \$3 n.  
Yaumati Ferries cum rights \$24¾ sa.

**China Light (old), \$12 n.**  
China Light (new), \$9.20 n.  
H.K. Electric, \$91 sa.  
Macao Electric, \$17¼ b.  
Sandakan Lights, \$14¼ n.  
Telephone (old), \$28 n.  
Telephone (new), \$10.00 n.  
China Buses, Sh. —  
Singapore Tractions, 23/8 n.  
Singapore Pref., 23/0 n.

**Industrials**  
Cald. Macg. (old), Sh. \$14¼ n.  
Cald. Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$12¼ n.  
Canton Ice, \$1.70 n.  
Cements, \$17¼ sa.  
H.K. Rope, \$4.10 n.

**Stores, &c.**  
Dairy Farm, 24¼ b.  
Watsons, \$8¼ n.  
Lane Crawfords, \$9¼ n.  
Sinceres, \$2.20 n.  
Wing On (H.K.), \$50 n.  
William Powell, Ltd., 70 cts. n.

**Cotton Mills**  
Ewo Cotton, Sh. \$12¼ n.  
Shai Cotton (old), Sh. \$75 n.  
Zoong Sings, Sh. —  
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$45 n.

**Miscellaneous**  
H.K. Entertainments, \$6.00 n.  
Constructions, \$1¼ b.  
Vibro Filling, \$3¼ n.  
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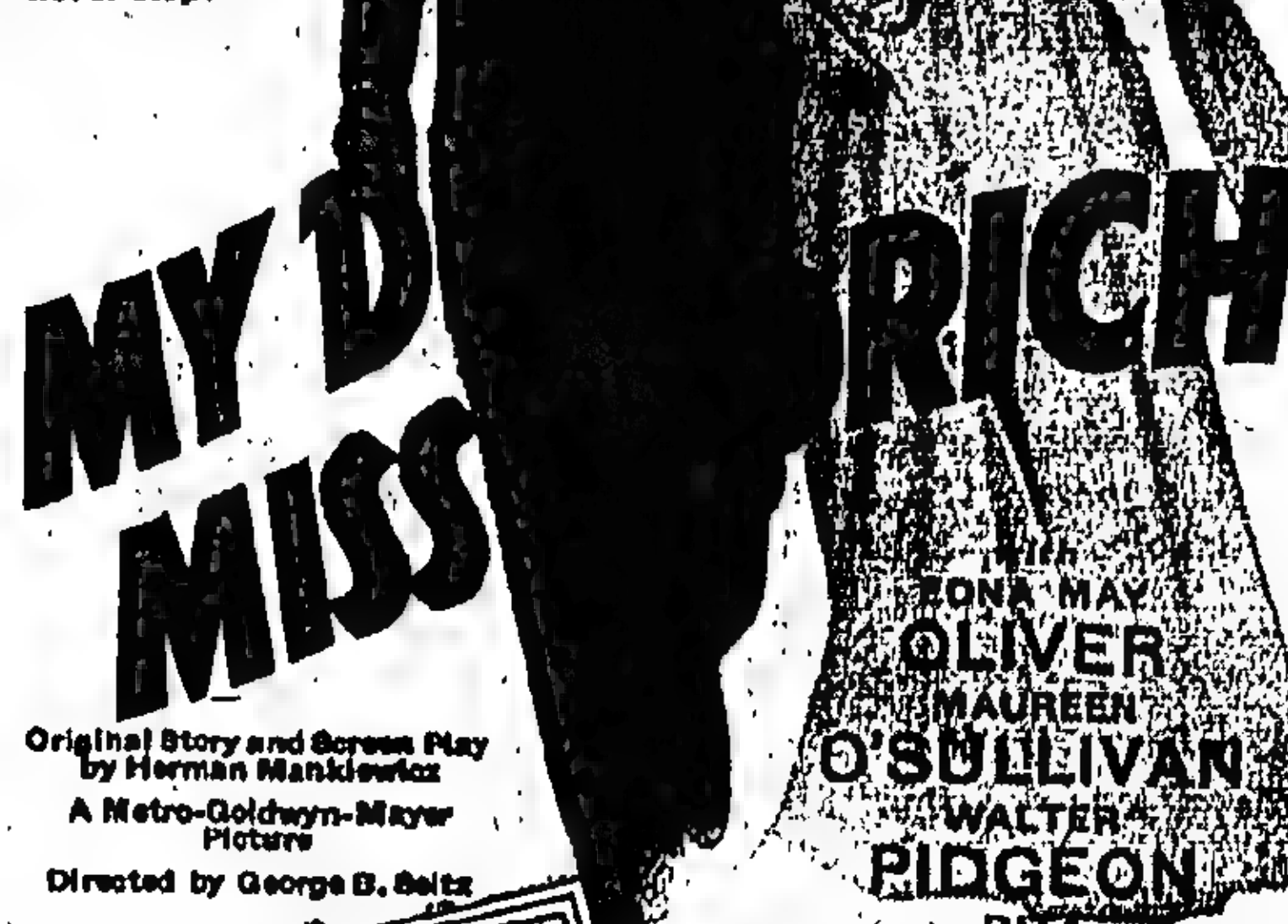
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Admiral  
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Served in WarLondon, May 16.  
The death has occurred of Admiral Sir Lewis Bayly, who was born in 1870, 1877. Entering the Navy in 1897, he reached the rank of commander in 1904 and was promoted captain in 1909.

Meanwhile he had served in Ashanti, in the Congo in 1915 and in the Egyptian navy in 1916. In 1917-18 with the battleship of the 1st Battle Squadron until the outbreak of the war in 1914 when he was knighted and put in charge of the 1st Battle Squadron.

Bayly seemed destined for very high positions in the Navy. Then on a January day in 1915 the formidable one of the battleships in his squadron, was torpedoed and sank with heavy loss of life. Bayly was not to blame, but he no longer commanded the Battle Squadron. Instead he was transferred to the post of commander-in-chief of the Western Approaches.

When the United States came into the war, he had command of the combined Anglo-American naval forces at Queenstown.

In that capacity he made a great reputation with the American navy. One of the most exclusive clubs in the United States is the Queenstown Association which is open only to American officers who served under Bayly.

For his war services he was awarded the K.C.M.G. and D.S.O. and also French, Italian and U.S. decorations. In 1919 he was placed on the retired list.

LOCAL SHOWERS  
FORECAST

The temperature at 10 o'clock this morning was 84, one degree lower than at the same time yesterday, while humidity was a point higher at 76 per cent.

Yesterday's maximum temperature was 88, and the minimum last night 78.

The Royal Observatory weather

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THE MAY HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF VOTING MEMBERS will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1938, at 5.30 p.m.

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R. OHL,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1938.

S'hai Exchange  
Rates Slump

Shanghai, May 17.

The opening rates on the

Foreign Exchange market: this

morning were, U.S. dollars 22 1/2

and Sterling 10.13/16d.

The continued decline, which

has been maintained since the

latter end of last week, is

mainly attributable to the rapid

developments on the war front

and the reverses of Chinese

forces near Hsuechow and the

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Australian newspapers report that

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Ten ratings deserted at Sydney and

latest reports from Australia state

that only four are returning to Hong-

kong to re-join the ship.

The total complement of the Dor-

setshire is 700.

report states that pressure is higher

over the Pacific to the east of Japan,

and is relatively low over Tongking

and Manchuria. A depression re-

mains in the Pacific to the east of

the Loochoos.

Local forecast is: South winds,

moderate; fair generally with local

showers.

BRITONS  
KILLED BY  
CHINESESurvivors Confirm  
Japanese ReportPeiping, May 16.  
A Japanese spokesman, in an interview with United Press today, said that the shooting of Dr. Henry G. Wyatt and Miss Beulah Glasby, of the British Baptist Mission Society, occurred near Hsinchow or Hainkowchen, 50 miles north of Talyuan.

Two other British missionaries travelling with Dr. Wyatt and Miss Glasby safely returned to Talyuan on May 13.

Lt. John Cooper, Assistant Military Attaché at the British Legation in Peiping, is leaving by train for Talyuan to-morrow to investigate the deaths.

Japanese reports from Shihchiachung state that the party of British missionaries met fifty Chinese Communists when travelling through Hainkowchen.

The Chinese chauffeur and two of the Britons disappeared when the party met the Communists. The two other Britons reached Talyuan on May 13. The Japanese military authorities immediately sent troops under the guidance of the two surviving Britons to investigate the case.

Japanese reports declare that the Japanese vice-manager of the Meng-chiang Motor Car Company, whilst travelling on the same road from Talyuan to Tientsin on May 12, was killed by Chinese eighty miles south of Talyuan.—United Press.

NUDE BATHER  
IN COURT

Bathing in the nude in the nullah below Kennedy Road led to the appearance of a young Chinese painter before Mr. R. OHL, Magistrate, this morning.

A Chinese constable told the Court that when he was about to arrest defendant, who was in the nude, the man ran away.

The defendant, Lo Sai-kau, admitted bathing in the nullah, but insisted that he was wearing a pair of shorts.

"I don't want to discourage you from bathing, but you'll have to do it privately," Mr. Edwards said, in inflicting a fine of \$3.

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16, ON BANK  
FRAUD  
CHARGE

A bold fraud on the Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation, in which an office boy, an accomplice and a girl benefited by \$14,000 was alleged by the Crown at Criminal Sessions this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

The accused were: Ho Mong-sang, 16, office boy employed at the bank; Leung Po, 30, unemployed; and Au Yeung Sau-chen, 16, spinster.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted and was instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones of Messrs. Willinson and Grist, D. J. N. Anderson was instructed by Mr. S. Quinn for the first and second defendants. Mr. A. E. W. Heath and Acting Inspector L. R. Whant were present for the police. The jury comprised Messrs. C. Moore (Foreman), E. Way, P. Ableset, J. J. Gurney, Tun Teng, Suey Len Ohay, D. H. Stewart.

First accused pleaded guilty to the larceny of a cheque and a further charge of forging a cheque. He and the second accused pleaded not guilty to conspiracy to defraud and not second accused also pleaded not guilty to uttering a forged document, obtaining \$14,000 by means of a forged instrument and receiving \$14,000 which he knew to be stolen property.

Mr. Williams said Ho had been an office boy at the bank since April last year and his duty consisted of taking cheques and documents from one department to another. He and second accused had known each other some years ago and the woman was a frequent caller to see Ho at the bank.

It was alleged by the prosecution that Ho was the inside person who stole the blank cheque and forged on it the name of Ping Y. Chang.

On March 28, second accused called at the bank, produced the cheque and received the money, largely in \$500 bills. In the afternoon it was noticed that Ho was missing and at end of the day it was found that the books were out by \$14,000.

In Ho's desk were found pieces of paper bearing various signatures of people in the bank. Inspector Whant arrested second accused the next day with a \$500 note in his possession and on March 31 the first and third defendants were arrested in a sampan in Aberdeen Harbour.

The man in the sampan had on him having nineteen \$500 notes on her. A cheque book in the bank from which one form was missing, was found.

An elaborate system to frustrate fraud was practised in the bank, the cheque presented passing from the teller ledger clerk, current accounts clerk, sub-accountant, assistant manager, cashier, assistant cashier and back to the teller.

Evidence was given by Chan Kwan-yue, accountant, who said Ho received \$10 a month wages. Fung Siu-king, translator, and Leung Tse-long, Tse Yu-chor, bank clerks, and Kong Kheng-po, assistant manager, also gave evidence.

In cross-examination, Leung Yu-chor, teller, said even when a person brought in a cheque previously endorsed, there was a check on him because he had to sign a receipt for the money, which must compare with the endorsement.

The hearing is continuing.

## THIEVES ACTIVE

The following reports of losses of valuables were received by the police yesterday:

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## FRANCO-ITALIAN ACCORD DOOMED

Paris Right Wing Paper Makes Disclosures

Paris, May 17.

An interesting light is shed on the Franco-Italian negotiations which are openly admitted to have reached a deadlock by the Right Wing paper *Le Jour*.

The paper alleges that a group of "Pro-Soviet" politicians, headed by the President of the Chamber, M. Edouard Herriot, and the Colonial Minister, M. Mandel, succeeded in blocking the negotiations with Rome. The former Premier, M. Leon Blum, according to the paper, had already intended appointing a French Ambassador to the Quirinal but the matter was postponed owing to the fall of the Blum Cabinet.

The new Daladier Cabinet took up the question and it was proposed to nominate ex-Premier Pierre Flandin to that post. The Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, however, desired before the nomination of the Ambassador to ascertain the opinion of certain prominent personalities including M. Herriot who strongly opposed proceeding with the appointment before the meeting of the League Council and the settlement of the Abyssinian problem.

M. Herriot was supported by some influential members of the Cabinet, among them M. Mandel and M. Reynaud, as well as by leading officials of the French Foreign Ministry. The paper goes on to say that acting on instructions of the French Government, the *Chambre d'Affaires*, M. Blondel, presented to Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, demands which were known in Paris to be unacceptable relating to the Spanish question. The French Government under the influence of M. Mandel, has also informed Italy, according to the paper, that an international control of the Pyrenees frontier will not be re-established so long as a single Italian volunteer remains on Spanish soil. The paper asserts that the attitude of M. Mandel and the other Ministers is motivated mainly by the desire to conciliate the Communist Party.—*Trans-Ocean*.

## MASS FOR WAR DEAD

A Solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated for the victims of the Sino-Japanese war in the Catholic Cathedral, Catherine Road, on Thursday morning, at 7.30 a.m. The Mass, which is in the nature of a memorial service for all both soldiers and civilians, who have lost their lives in the course of the present hostilities, will be attended by members of all the chief Catholic organisations of Hongkong. It will be celebrated by Bishop Valtorta, the Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong.

Among the many Catholics who have been killed in China since the war began, there is none whose death was more regretted than Mr. Joseph Lo Pa Hong, the prominent Shanghai business man who directed numerous charitable institutions caring for several thousand persons. He was murdered at the end of December, the cause, it was understood, being the mistaken belief that his charitable activities were in some way a help to Japan. His death was a great blow to the cause of charity, especially at this time, for he was President of the Chinese National Catholic War Relief Association.

## POLAND GOES DOWN TO THE SEA AT GDYNIA

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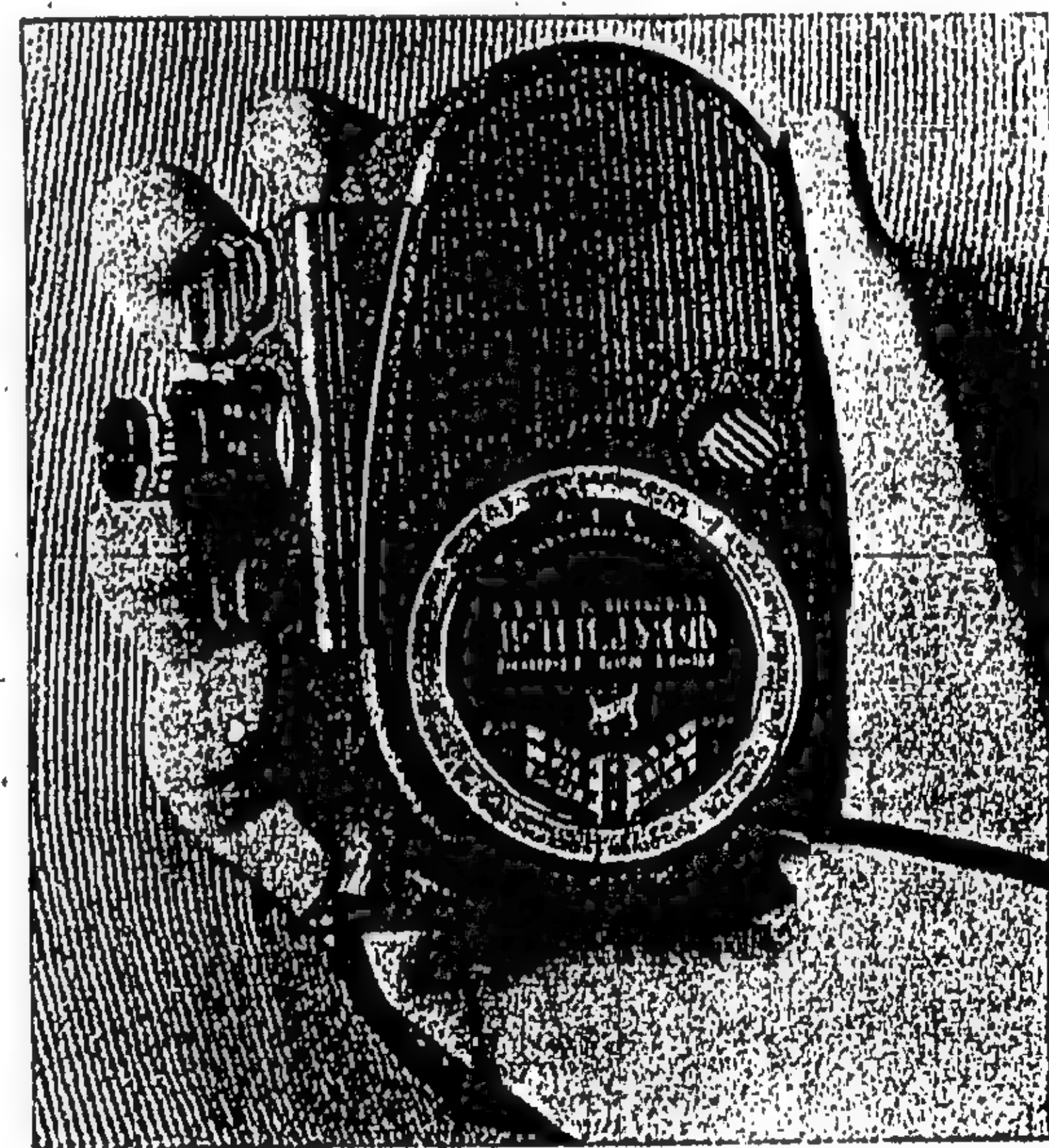
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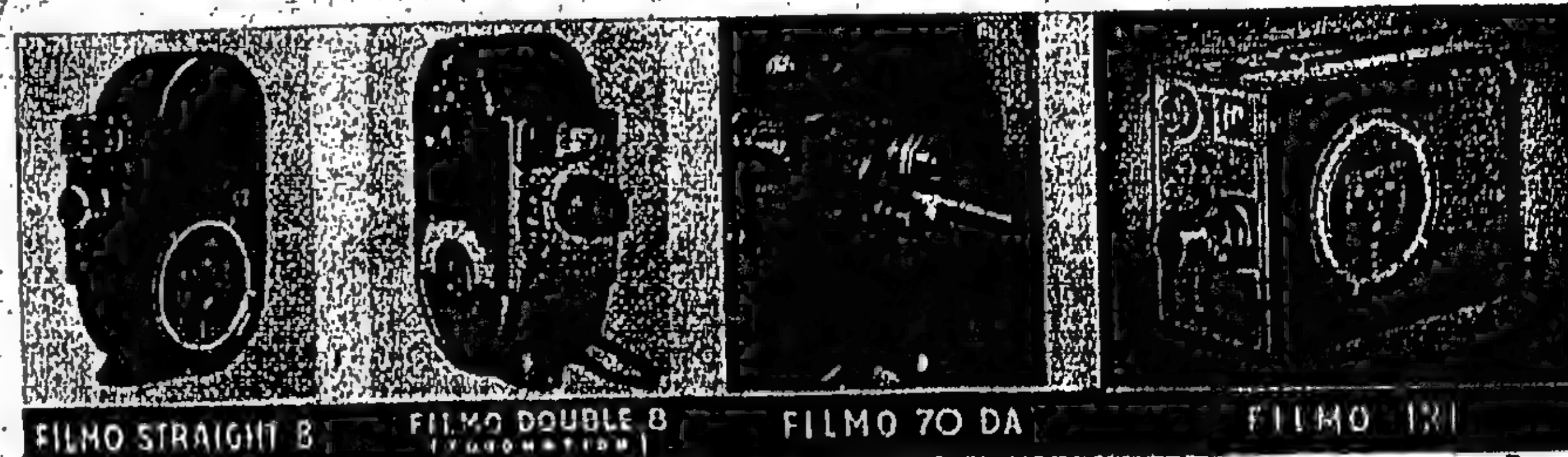
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### EDUCATION FOR THE ARMY

Hongkong is shortly to have a large and expensive military cantonment in Kowloon Tong. It is necessary in view of the increasing importance of this Far East base and the very considerable increase in garrison troops which is promised. But the most interesting feature of the military programme is the modern school which the cantonment will boast, which besides offering accommodation to the children of the British forces during their station here, will provide modern class-rooms for the instruction of young men of the Army as well. This is just one small part of the immense Government programme for the better instruction of troops and is an indication of the recognition of the fact that it is not the automaton which makes the best soldier. There was a time, to be sure, when sergeant instructors used to bawl: "You ain't supposed to think. Just get on with it." And the same thing was said of the British army in perhaps more elegant terms when the poet wrote: "Theirs not to reason why . . ." But the modern soldier, although he naturally obeys orders without question, is taught something more than his duty. He is an efficient cog in a vast machine; a machine which, incidentally, depends more and more upon petrol-power and, for that reason, on mechanical efficiency. In the army, as in every other modern organisation which attempts efficiency, officers and men are required to specialise more and more. If by means of education a young soldier can put himself in the way of promotion it is an obvious advantage from the personal point of view. It is no less important from the standpoint of the General Staff, one would think. For if Private Wilks can do the job of Sergeant Weeks, and Sergeant Weeks can do the job of somebody else a good deal higher in the unit, there is less danger of error in emergency and better prospects for the individual in the future. The R.A.F. proba-

### GILBERT FRANKAU asks

## IS SPIRITUALISM A DELUSION?

ACCORDING to Mr. Frank Hawken, secretary of the Spiritualist Central Council, there are 3,000 spiritualist Churches in Great Britain. He protests that it is "very unfair" of the B.B.C. not to allow any of their services to be broadcast.

My personal feelings, in this case, are entirely on the side of the B.B.C.

Even granting that the very plinth of our constitution is religious tolerance, I fail to see what good purpose could be achieved by such broadcasts.

Some form of survival after death is a tenet of every credal religion. But actual communication between the dead and the living—even if this be possible—is contrary to the tenets and forbidden by the teachings of most.

### Many Consoled

MY friend the late Arthur Conan Doyle tried his hardest to convert me to his own fervent belief in spiritualism. Others have made similar attempts. I can therefore realise exactly how much the "spirit world" means to those who can convince themselves of its reality.

And that there are both honest mediums and honest investigators of psychic phenomena, I admit.

Let us further agree that communications—whether real or illusory—from their dead loved ones console many who cannot find consolation in orthodox religions.

At the same time, nevertheless, even the most obstinate spiritualist must be with me when I state that fraudulent mediums are legion, especially in our industrial north.

You have only to meet the author of that remarkable revelation of an industrial worker's life, "I, James Whittaker," to realise how many poor people are mulcted of shillings they can ill afford by the descendants of Mr. Sludge, the poet Browning's exposed medium, who says:

Now, don't, sir! Don't expose me!

Just this once!

This was the first and only time, I'll swear . . .

Then it's so cruel easy! Oh, those tricks . . .

Clearly no common conjurer's . . .

Dishonesty and fraud apart, however, can spiritualism help the average workaday man and woman in this average workaday world?

### Old as Mankind

THE idea that our personalities survive our corporal bodies is as old as mankind. Odysseus, in the Homeric legend, visits the realms of Dis and talks with his dead com-

bly offers the best example of this newly-created opportunity for the young professional soldier to climb out of the rut; but there are chances in the other branches of the service, too, as there always were, but on a larger scale. One might venture the guess that the last great war taught the British Staff what sort of stuff comes out of the ranks. The British Navy has long been aware of the value of the officer who comes up from the lower deck. Granted he is generally a stern disciplinarian and is not always as popular with the "troops" as an officer who has always worn a "fore-and-after" rig. But he is highly efficient and quite rightly highly respected. The days of prejudice against commissions for Tommy Atkins, too, are passing, if they have not already gone forever. The late general Sir Arthur Currie was a Canadian "volunteer," and not even a professional soldier until 1914. Maybe Hongkong will help produce a Hamilton or a Haig or a Roberts.

panions. "Behold," we read in the Prophet Samuel, "there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor." And do we not also read, "He descended into Hell?"

As a searcher after the ultimate verity I am not sufficiently presumptuous to venture an opinion as to whether this idea is the whole truth or merely a mystical way of translating the infinity of conscience to our necessarily finite minds.

Many men have told me: "Without my sure belief in an after-life I should find it too difficult to follow the dictates of my conscience in this one."

Others, equally frank, have admitted: "I am not entirely convinced that my own personality will survive my body's death. But I should feel like a lost soul without the teachings of my credal religion."

Such men I can both admire and—as one still searching for that solace which absolute faith brings to a true believer—envy. The mystic's way, my whole experience of this life teaches me, is a happy way.

But the way of the spiritualist—at least, as I understand it—is not the mystic's. It is the scientist's. He or she demands proof—the dead shall not only speak but become materialised.

### The "Proofs"

TABLES must move. There must be photographs, taps, writings with pens or pencils, and that cozy, palpable, terrestrial substance known as "ectoplasm" for finite manifestations of the truth.

Honest and presumably unbiased investigators of psychic phenomena have assured us, over and over again, that such finite manifestations do occur. Conan Doyle, in one of his books, goes even further. He relates a personal meeting, in a hut on the west coast of America, between himself and a long-dead relative!

I myself, recently writing an article about my own mother, who passed over in 1916, received a letter from a living friend of hers, which said, "I talked with your mother only last night."

The writer of that letter was convinced that she wrote the truth. Thousands of other men and women, some of very much more than the average intelligence, share her convictions.

All these say, in effect, "There are no dead. Slowly but surely we are bridging the gap between this world and the next one. Join our ranks. Be enlightened. Be happy."

Truly enlightened? Or just deluded by natural phenomena which the scientist of the years to come will explain as easily as he now explains the workings of that cathode ray which is the heart of the television camera?

### Kipling's Belief

TRULY happy? Or merely led up the garden path of dreams by human sorrow, by human imagination, by the desire—inherent in all of us—to turn our wishes into realities?

Far be it from me to judge this transcendental issue. I can only give my own view my own judgment as dictated to me by my own conscience.

Even granting that there be personal survival, and not—as many of the world's best brains have held—a merging of all human souls into one Infinite Being, I cannot bring myself to believe that mere human beings should attempt to bridge the gulf between this life and the next.

I believe with Rudyard Kipling:

Oh, the road to En-dor is the oldest road,  
And the craggiest road of all  
Straight it runs to the Witch's abode.

As it did in the days of Saul,  
And nothing has changed of the sorrow  
row in store  
For such as go down on the road to En-dor.

There is so much to be done before the world can be made anything like a paradise for the average man and woman. Let us hold our own earthly gates before we rashly attempt Heaven's—or Hell's.

### GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



—and there will be an extra charge of 75 cents for lettuce for the rabbits.

### Poland Goes Down To The Sea At

## GDYNIA

By G. WARD PRICE

### Gdynia, Poland.

THE world possesses two spick-and-span new seaports where, instead of rust, confusion and squalor, all is chromium plate, streamlining and modernity.

They are in different continents, a thousand miles apart. Both lie on closed seas instead of the open ocean. Though palms wave over one and pines over the other, both rise from desert sand, and—oddest resemblance of all—in both of them is Polish freely spoken.

These ports are Gdynia on the Baltic and Tel-Aviv in the Levant, and their similarity of tongue is accounted for by the fact that Poland contains 3,500,000 Jews—one-sixth of all the professing members of that race in the whole world—and a great many of them have found their way to Tel-Aviv in Palestine.

Fifteen years ago Gdynia was a village of 200 fishermen and their families, whose thatched cottages were strung along the sandy shore between the tree-covered dunes and the shallow Baltic.

### Poverty To Riches

NOW most of those fishermen are millionaires—in Polish zlotys, which, being on a gold basis, are worth six times as much as French francs and go as far as shillings do in England.

Their fishing days forgotten, they drive over from their fine villas round the casino at Zoppot, the Baltic Monte Carlo, to inspect the tall apartment-houses and rows of shops that now occupy the formerly worthless ground belonging to them, where so recently they used to drowse their nets.

One square yard of that mingled scrub and sand to-day fetches £8. The site for a villa costs £1,000.

A Polish naval officer, still in the early thirties, told me that when he was a midshipman the destroyer in which he served used to lie three miles out from Gdynia, unable to come closer inshore because there was no depth of water.

### 1,500 Acres Of Quays

CRUISING now in the yacht belonging to the director-general of the port, M. Stanislaus Lengowski, around the 700 acres of the harbour basins, protected by breakwaters 2½ miles long, and fitted with automatic radio-beacons and submarine oscillators,

I saw 50 ships up to 14,000 tons displacement lying alongside quays of a total area of 1,500 acres, with a depth of 36ft. between their water-line and the bottom.

Gdynia has her own Transatlantic passenger line running to North and South America. Forty thousand passengers move in and out of her maritime station in the course of a year.

It has cost £12,000,000 to provide Poland with her artificial port. The natural harbour for this part of Europe is the splendid old Hanseatic city of Danzig, at the mouth of the Vistula, 20 miles away. The mediaeval black-and-white warehouses and the huge brick towers of the ancient "Crane Gate" in Danzig are testimony to the great maritime traditions of the historic port. But Danzig is a German city, and as such was put under a special League of Nations regime when resuscitated Poland was given her "corridor" to the coast.

Now the Poles say that the troubles which removed them from the map of Europe for 130 years were primarily due to the fact that they had always "turned their backs on the sea." That was a mistake they were determined to make no longer—so they set themselves to build on the open, shoal-infested Baltic shore a brand-new port of their own, which to-day shifts 10,000,000 tons of merchandise a year.

Universal rearmament is helping to build up the prosperity of Gdynia. I found its quays piled high with the rusty scrap iron which has become by far its largest import.

Most of it is of United States origin: old radiators from American apartment-houses, bits of Transatlantic motor-cars, and out-of-date industrial plant are pouring into Gdynia at the rate of nearly 3,000 tons a day.

### Herring Imports

MUCH of this raw material is "in transit." I saw, lying on a dock, the hut-like cases of 20 large aeroplanes, which were labelled as consigned from Czechoslovakia to Estonia, though their ultimate destination may be farther on.

Germany, Denmark, and Sweden all considerably surpass Great Britain in the tonnage of their vessels using the port of Gdynia. Herrings are one of the main British exports to Poland, and a leading firm of London herring merchants is building a large store there.

### Everything Modern

THE chilling-sheds for foodstuffs will take 1,200 wagon-loads at once; the wheat granaries have a capacity of 10,000 tons; coal, which is Gdynia's largest export, is handled by a most modern outfit of belt-conveyors and wagon-tips, while the shipping of tim-

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## DEATH IN CRUISER CAUSES DISPUTE

Dorsetshire Outside Jurisdiction Of Australia Police? Papers Tell Odd Story

Australian newspapers just received in Hongkong tell the full story of a shooting in H.M.S. Dorsetshire, as a result of which Leading Seaman Robert Edmund Dickenson, aged 20, was killed, and a shipmate is charged with murder here.

A report appears in the Brisbane Courier-Mail regarding an alleged dispute between the ship's Commander and the Coroner and Police in Cairns regarding the body of the dead man.

The report, which appeared in the Courier-Mail on May 3, said: "About 8.30 on Monday night in drizzling rain a fair number of spectators witnessed the landing at Cairns of a flag-draped coffin which was brought in by Dorsetshire's platoon and carried to waiting hearse by a party of sailors.

"It was subsequently discovered that the coffin was empty and that the ship's commander had refused to surrender the body to the civil authorities.

"The first news of the affair came in the afternoon when a wireless message was received by the Cairns Harbour Board requesting that the Coroner and the police officers should proceed to the Dorsetshire immediately she arrived at the anchorage in Trinity Bay, about four miles from Cairns.

However, a later message stated the body was landed at Cairns some hours later.

**POLICE REQUEST REFUSED**

When detectives asked to be allowed to interview the man held in custody they were refused access to him and were told in addition that the body would not be handed over.

It is understood the question exercising the minds of the naval and civil authorities was that of jurisdiction, says the Courier-Mail. It was stated the ship's commander held the view that the incident occurred outside Australian territorial waters, and should consequently be dealt with under the British Admiralty Act.

**FUNERAL DELAYED**

On account of the extraordinary circumstances of the death, some delay took place in arranging a funeral. It was found that under Queensland law the burial could not take place until a certificate signed by a medical practitioner registered in Queensland was produced.

"As the surgeon on the Dorsetshire was registered in England the certificate signed by him could not be accepted. The difficulty was overcome by a shore doctor holding a second post mortem and giving an independent finding on the cause of death. The funeral presumably took place at Cairns.

## CABINET CHANGES WELCOME

Opposition Press Still Demands Investigation

London, May 17.

The changes in the Cabinet bring press comments on party lines.

They are welcomed by the Conservative papers which particularly approve the Air Ministry appointment and pay tribute to Sir Kingsley Wood's energy and organising ability. They point out that Mr. Harold Balfour is a practical airman.

On the contrary, the News Chronicle and Daily Herald agree with Mr. Clement Attlee's report on the situation. "It is not much use shuffling cards when it's really a new pack you want," the Labour Opposition leader is quoted as saying.

The Herald adds the reshuffling must not be made an excuse for shelving the real investigation of the air situation.

Meanwhile, following the changes, Mr. Winston Churchill has withdrawn his motion for an inquiry into the state of air defence and 100 Government supporters have put themselves down for a motion assuring the Government of whole-hearted backing in efforts to bring air defences to the highest pitch of efficiency and deprecating an inquiry as being calculated to hamper the speed and success of the expansion programme.

## GAMING HOUSE INMATES TAKEN

As a result of a raid by the police on a house in Cliven Road yesterday, eleven persons were arrested and charged with gambling before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistrate's this morning.

The first defendant, Ki Hing, 40, who was charged with keeping a gaming house, was on bail of £20, failed to appear. Seven of the gamblers who were on bail of £3 each were also absent. Those present in Court were cautioned and dismissed, while the absentees had their bail forfeited.

## JAPANESE MASS FOR HSUCHOW ATTACK

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appear to be trying to shift attention firstly to Shanghai, where they claim 27,000 Japanese troops have been killed in the past six weeks due to under-garrisoning of towns, and secondly to the Hotel-Chaohsien line, to which Marshal Chiang Kai-shek sent a message of congratulation after the Chinese troops, according to their own reports, had occupied Chaohsien.

Occupation of this town threatened the Japanese rear at Hsueh, where, Chinese reports claimed, the defenders were still holding the city, despite a terrific Japanese artillery bombardment.—United Press.

### Japanese Press Reports

Tokyo, May 17.

The Japanese press gives great prominence to the reports from the Lunghai front describing the success of the Japanese troops there.

Special editions of the leading papers were first issued reporting the bare fact that a victory had been won while later the editions discussed the effects of this victory may produce. The Japanese press emphasises that a further development of the struggle depends on whether the Chinese troops will continue to fight in the present situation or attempt to break through to the south-west from Hsueh. In any case the crucial point of the coming struggle lies on the Japanese south-west front, which therefore must be strengthened.

While on the south-west front the Japanese Army continues steadily advancing, the section subject to attacks is shrinking. The Japanese are pressing upon the strongly fortified sector in the north-east of Hsueh.

Judging the situation as a whole, the Japanese press believes that the "capture of Hsueh is now only a matter of days."

Thereafter the China conflict will reach the turning point and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will have to decide whether to continue resistance further.

The Japanese are firmly resolved to continue the military operations with enhanced vigour.

To-day, writes the Japan Times which often expresses the views of the Japanese Foreign Office, most valuable coastal provinces of China are occupied. Also in the south, the coast is blockaded since the Japanese fleet has already captured Amoy.

A new China department in closest contact with the Japanese Office on one side and Japanese military headquarters on the other, will take all necessary measures under the direction of Prince Konoye to bring about a speedy end to the China conflict.—Trans-Ocean.

### Violent Fighting South Of Tangshan

Chengchow, May 17.

Violent fighting is in progress at Hantaokow, south of Tangshan, on the Lunghai Railway, where the Chinese defenders are making a gallant stand to prevent the enemy from cutting the line.

A Japanese force of about 2,000, equipped with tanks and assisted by planes, has been attempting to dislodge the Chinese without success during the past three days. Their repeated onslaughts yesterday were again stemmed by the Chinese.

Heavy Chinese reinforcements have been placed around Hantaokow and points in the vicinity to prevent enemy breaking through and reaching the Lunghai Railway. The Japanese are reported to be calling in reinforcements from Yungchong on the Honan-Anhui border, 40 kilometres south of the Lunghai Railway, to replenish their losses of the last three days.

A Japanese unit of more than 2,000 men which pushed from Fenghsien in north Anhwei southward to the vicinity of Lichwang station east of Tangshan on May 15 was driven back by the Chinese after a bitter encounter, and retreated northward. About 700 Japanese were killed and many were captured alive. Five armoured cars were damaged by Chinese gunfire.

An attempt to cut the Lunghai line by a Japanese cavalry unit which came from Tangshan, in south-west Shansi, yesterday, was also frustrated by the Chinese.

Tension prevails in west Shantung. The Chinese have evacuated Hotsch after many days' fierce fighting. The situation at Kinsiang is reported to be obscure. The Japanese broke into the city on the night of May 15 after battering down the south city gate. Bloody street fighting ensued.

An attack on Koocheng by two columns of Japanese troops from the east and the north yesterday was repulsed by the Chinese.—Central News.

### Tension In Paoting Confirmed

Hankow, May 17.

Tension in Paoting, provincial capital of Hopei, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway and now under Japanese occupation, as a result of activities of Chinese guerrillas, has been confirmed here.

According to an arrival from Kaopien, 62 kilometres north-east of Paoting on the Peiping-Hankow line, the Japanese garrisons in Yihien, Lanchow, and Chingchow, around Kaopien, have been rushed to Paoting as reinforcements.

Chinese guerrillas have filtered into Paoting city, according to information from foreign sources. So far, however, no severe fighting has taken place.

The Peiping-Hankow Railway to the north of Paoting was cut by Chinese guerrillas recently rendering Japanese military transport along the line difficult.

On May 10, a southbound train from Paoting, after covering a distance of about 50 miles, was forced

## SHIPS IN RADIO COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in touch with Hongkong Radio to-day.

Pendopo, Toulouse, Ping Wo, President Jefferson, Corfu, Bontekoe, Norviken, Empress of Japan, Hoang, President Harrison, Canle Verde.

to return as a result of the damaged track. Central News.

### Massacres Continue In Amoy

Foochow, May 17.

The massacre of Chinese in Amoy Island continued yesterday, according to reports received here.

Large numbers of Chinese men were rounded up and moved down by machine-gun fire. Those who jumped into the sea to try to escape were fired at.

Many Chinese women committed suicide to avoid falling into the hands of the enemy.

Looting by Formosan rovers is also reported.—Central News.

### Kinsiang Taken By Japanese

Hsueh, May 17.

Kinsiang in west Shantung has fallen into Japanese hands, according to military advisers.

The Chinese evacuated that city on May 15 after severe street fighting. They have taken up new positions in the immediate suburbs and are waiting for reinforcements for a counter-attack.

The Japanese troops which took Hotsch on May 14 have remained inactive the last two days.—Central News.

### Chinese Pressing Towards Linfen

Tungkuang, May 17.

Chinese forces in Shansi are vigorously pressing on Linfen, about 100 miles south of Taiyuan.

Fighting has been in progress near Linfen and Yuncheng, north-east of Chiehshien in south Shansi, during the past three days, with the Japanese suffering heavily.

On May 15, the Japanese troops in Yungli and Yungliang in south-west Shansi were rushed to reinforce their units around Yuncheng. Only a small number of Japanese now remain in both cities.

The areas to the immediate north of Yungliang have been cleared of Japanese soldiers.—Central News.

### Swift Advance

Shanghai, May 17.

Capture of Siaohtien was reported to have been completed by 6 o'clock on Monday morning, while the same column of Japanese troops an hour later occupied Maichwang, 5 kilometres further north, according to information received here early this morning.

Siaohtien is an important outpost 28 kilometres south-west of Hsueh on the northern border of Kiangsu Province.

Fenghuangshan, strategically the most important point in this mountainous region and approximately four kilometres north of Siaohtien, was also captured by another unit of Japanese troops, thus shortening the cordon encircling the Chinese forces concentrated along the Lunghai Railway.

Following a junction of northern and southern Japanese forces effected on Monday near Wangsi, on the Lunghai line, the Japanese were tightening their dragnet further on Hsueh during the whole of Monday afternoon. One column driving from the north reached Chingchiwang, 8 kilometres north of Tangshan yesterday.

From the south, another column captured Kwangkow, on the Lunghai line, 50 kilometres distant from Hsueh, yesterday morning. Thereafter, pushing eastwards, the Japanese forces occupied Chengtsi, 8 kilometres further to the east.

These two villages, Hwangkow and Chengtsi, were said to have formed important strategic bases for the Chinese forces on the Lunghai, west of Hsueh.

Meanwhile, press reports state that Marshal Chiang Kai-shek left Hankow by plane on Saturday for Chungking where he immediately convoked an emergency conference of national government leaders to discuss measures to meet the present situation arising out of the Hsueh position.—Domei.

### Chinese Reinforcements Arrive

Hankow, May 17.

The spokesman of the Chinese general staff declared at a press conference in Hankow to-day that contrary to Japanese assertions, their troops nowhere yet had reached the Lunghai Railway. The spokesman continued that the situation in West Shantung began to consolidate with the arrival of Chinese reinforcements.

The Japanese troops advancing from the Hwai River via Mengchow and Yungchong, suffered a severe defeat on the Lunghai Railway, 62 kilometres from Nanchang so that not the least ground for anxiety exists.

The crux of the military situation lies further west in Shantung where through the arrival of considerable Chinese reinforcements and heavy Japanese losses, the Japanese advance has been slowed down.

On the south Shantung front where Manchurian units were replaced, the Japanese have withdrawn westward, and change has been taken place.

The spokesman declared that a Chinese attack on the Japanese in north Anhwei is now in progress.

The spokesman concluded by saying that developments so far furnished no occasion for giving up the south Shantung front.—Trans-Ocean.

## CHINESE INSIST GROUND RETAINED

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where the Chinese are holding the north bank of the Yellow River.

A small Japanese cavalry detachment which went around the Chinese left flank is proceeding towards Tunglancheng, north west of Fungling, on the eastern bank of the Yen River.

On the front along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, which links Tientsin with Nanking, Chinese and Japanese forces are stated to be facing each other across the Hui River, south of Kucheng.

Further south, in the Hsueh area (west of Nanking), the Chinese claim to have reached Chaohsien on May 13, but admit withdrawing to Hsueh later, when the city was threatened. Latest advice indicates that a Japanese detachment has entered the east gate of Hsueh, where street fighting is now proceeding, the Chinese strongly contending with the Japanese for possession of the city.—Reuter.

### Six Reasons For Chinese Optimism

Hankow, May 17.

The Chinese Government is not pessimistic concerning the turn of events at Hsueh, declared a spokesman to Reuter last night.

The spokesman gave the following reasons for his optimistic observation:

1.—Time is China's great ally in the conflict with Japan. China has carried on the war for ten months, and will be able to continue.

2.—The Chinese are gradually wearing down the Japanese by inflicting heavy losses on all fronts.

3.—The Japanese command hoped that the war would be terminated with the fall of Nanking. Instead, China's strength and resistance increased. Likewise, the Japanese expected that the fall of Hsueh would crush Chinese resistance, but China is confident that her strength and resistance will be increased.

4.—The vastness of the Chinese Republic is in her favour. By gaining the city of Hsueh the Japanese have lost the province of Shansi.

5.—China is confident that the forces under General Li Chung-jen can hold Hsueh. The campaign in Shansi proved that the occupation of the railway and even principal cities could not determine the outcome of a campaign.

6.—Even if China loses Hsueh, she will still carry on. The country is invaded and has no alternative but to fight to a finish.—Reuter.

### Chen Cheng Reviews Situation

Hankow, May 17.

A pioneer movement has been launched by the Chinese troops on the Japanese at Hantaokow south of Tangshan with a view to removing their menace to the Lunghai Railway.

General Chen Cheng, director of the political affairs department of the National Military Council, yesterday.

General Chen said that the Japanese troops attacking Hantaokow came from Yungchong on the Honan-Anhui border, 40 kilometres south of the Lunghai Railway, which they captured on May 12.

General Chen admitted that the Japanese troops have taken Hotsch, important town in west Shantung, but said that heavy Chinese reinforcements have been rushed to west Shantung to halt the Japanese southward advance whilst other units are harassing the Japanese rear.

According to General Chen, there is a comparative lull on the south Shantung front. Repeated attempts to cross Nanyang Lake on the south Shantung border were repulsed by the Chinese. On May 14, however, between 400 and 500 Japanese succeeded in crossing the lake at Machinkow. Chinese troops were immediately sent to engage them.

### Further Reinforcements

Turning to the situation on the Peiping-Hankow Railway front, General Chen revealed that Japanese troops under Major-General Fushien Dolhara in south Hopei and in west Shantung were increased to about 5,000. They began crossing the Yellow River at Tungkuowai to penetrate further into west Shantung. Further Japanese reinforcements are said to be arriving from Changyuan and Tsakou in north Honan.

The Japanese in Shansi and Sulyuan, General Chen said, remain inactive. Chinese have recaptured Howma, Ishih, Lintsing and other towns in south Shansi and are pressing on the Japanese stationed along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. In west Shansi, the Chinese are besieging Chungyang and advancing towards Lanchow and Hunglung. In central Shansi Chinese guerrillas are active. Japanese at Taki, Chibien and Shouyang have been subjected to constant attacks. In Sulyuan the Chinese are pushing northward from Liangcheng and Tolsien. During recent raids on Fengchen and Paotao many soldiers of the Japanese garrison were killed.

Owing to the depletion of large units of troops to the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front, the Japanese on the eastern war front are bending their efforts toward protecting Hangchow, Fuyang, Yuhang, Hsing, Liyang, Tsunicheng and Wuhu. Chinese troops around these cities are taking the offensive. On the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway the Chinese are still attacking Haining and Haiyen on the north bank of the Chientang River.

General Chen confirmed the Chinese recapture of Chiehshien on Hangchow Bay.—Central News.

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6.45—The White Room ("Floodlight")—Beverly Nichols; "Floodlight"—Plano Medley; "On The Avenue"—Plano Medley (Berlin).

6.55 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.00 A Variety Programme including Clapham and Dwyer, The Hill Billies and Grace Fields.

Porgy and Bess—Selection (G. Gershwin); Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra—Vocalists; Anne Ziegler and Webster Booth; I Bring You A Song... The Palace Of Romance with Orchestra; Do You Remember My First Love Song (From "Queen Of Hearts"); Why Did I Have To Meet You? (From "Queen Of Hearts"); Grace Fields with Orchestra Accompaniment; Clapham and Dwyer On Photography; Arthur Young and Reginald M. Young (The Piano Duets with Drums); My Lucky Day (From "This Week of Grace"); Mary Ross (From "This Week of Grace"); The Hilly Billy Band; Susanna (From Alabama); The Hillbillies with Novelty Accompaniment; Waltz Selection... Reginald Dixon (the famous Blackpool Organist).

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Benno Moisewitch (Piano). Isolde's Lied (Liszt); Grillen (Schumann); Polonaise In B Flat Major, Op. 71, No. 2 (Chopin).

8.15 London Relay—"Cricket"—M.M.O. v. The Australians.

A commentary during the third day's play by G. H. Fender from Lord's Cricket Ground, London.

8.30 Studio—A Recital by Gallant Sun (Soprano) accompanied by Linday A. Lafford (Piano).

1. Wanderer (Schubert); 2. On The Lake (Brahms); 3. Eternal Love (Brahms); 4. The Sunshine Of Your Smile (Lullu); 5. 8.40 Orchestra.

The Wreckers—Overture (Dame Ethel Smyth); Dame Ethel Smyth conducting The British Symphony Orchestra; Bavarian Dance, Op. 27, No. 1 (Elgar); London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Sir Edward Elgar, O.M.

9.00 London Relay—"Non-Stop Variety".

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9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Beethoven—Kreutzer Sonata In A Major, Op. 47.

Played by Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).

10.25 Songs by Georges Thill (Tenor).

Cantata No. 85 (Bach); Cantata No. 85 (Bach); Nuit D'Espagne (From "Scenes Pittoresques")—(Massenet).

10.30 Gounod In Vienna (Arr. G. Walter); Orient Express (G. Mohr); Taming The Tiger (La Rocca); Stephanie Gavotte (Czibulka—arr. Altendorf); Berceuse (Jarnet); Electric Girl (Helmberg—Holmes); A Night On The Waves—Finnish Waltz (Koskima).

11.00 Close Down.

## Great French Defence Loan Oversubscribed

Paris, May 16.

The 3,000,000,000 franc National Defence Loan, which opened this morning, was oversubscribed within a short time, and was closed this afternoon with striking success.

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## CHINESE REVEAL THEIR STRENGTH EARLY IN SEASON

### Mixed Doubles Team Good Enough For Championship

If the form shown by the Chinese Recreation Club players in the Mixed Doubles Tennis League in their match against the Kowloon C.C. is any criterion of their strength, they will have a lot to say regarding the destination of the Dunlop Shield this year. They have always been formidable in their men's players; their difficulty in the past was to obtain the services of three ladies good enough not to let the team down. In Mrs. Enid Litton (a former singles champion of the Colony), Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu (co-holder with Miss Rose Perry, of the doubles title) and Miss Yeung Wai-pan, a newcomer to the League, they now have three ladies capable of giving the men every support. Mrs. Litton showed yesterday that she is still a very useful doubles player, and she should have little difficulty in holding her own. As is well-known, Mrs. Chiu is a hard-hitter; at her best, she is one of the most brilliant lady players in the League. The third C.R.C. lady, Miss Yeung, is comparatively inexperienced, but she has youth and keenness, and what more matches will improve her play considerably. Are the Chinese going to make a clean sweep of the League this year? With the number of players at their disposal at the moment, their prospects are very bright, and it will not be surprising if they do walk off with every League championship.

#### To-day's Matches

Three interesting matches have been arranged for "A" Division of the League this afternoon. The following is the programme:

Hongkong C.C. v. Chinese R.C.  
Indian R.C. v. United Services R.C.

Kowloon C.C. v. South China A.A.

The Chinese look particularly strong, especially as Ho Ka-lau is now back again. With three pairs like Lee Wai-long and Tsui Wai-pui, Paul Kong and Tsui Yun-pui, and Ho Ka-lau and W. C. Hung, they are very evenly balanced. Whatever team the Hongkong C.C. field to-day should not trouble the Chinese unduly. Perhaps the most even game of the day will be that between the Indian R.C. and the United Services R.C. to be played at Sookunpoo. The Indians have been strengthened this year by the inclusion of Omar Rumjahn, a former co-holder of the local doubles title, who returned to the Colony some weeks ago. A very steady doubles player, Omar will partner S. A. Rumjahn. "H.D." will play with A. H. Madar as before, and A. R. Minu has I. M. A. Razack as partner. Without knowing what the South China line-up is, it is difficult to say what the prospects of the K.C.C. are. The K.C.C. team looks useful enough without being particularly brilliant.

#### Soccer Refereeing

To all intents and purposes, the soccer season in the Colony is now over. As a matter of fact, had it not been for the visit of the Saigon team, the local season would have been concluded two weeks ago. Yet I make no apology for bringing up a matter which is of great interest to most soccer enthusiasts—refereeing. Asked "What is the secret of efficient refereeing?" Mr. A. J. Jewell, who recently refereed the F.A. Cup final at Wembley, said, "I

do not think you can say any particular policy is the only right one. But unobtrusiveness is to be aimed at, and the referee should try to put himself in the position of the player and understand his point of view. It is also up to the official in control of an important game to let the ball run as far as possible without holding up the play. After all, the public pays to watch football and not to listen to a performance on the whistle." Local referees, please take note. I particularly like Mr. Jewell's point about "performance on a whistle." This can be overdone, and when it is, it is very irritating to the spectators. I have seen many cases during the season of referees blowing their whistles and holding up play just because a goal-kick or a free kick was taken a few inches from the exact spot where they thought it should have been. After all, what difference does a yard or so make especially when play is in the middle of the field?

#### Phenomenal Run-getter

CENTURIES are scored as easily by Don Bradman as twenties or thirties by most people. Now he has done it again. His latest is his double century against the M.C.C. at Lord's. The responsibilities of captain of the Australian touring team seem to sit but lightly on his shoulders. This great little man is making his third trip to England. He is a cricketer's genius, on hard wickets possibly the greatest batsman the game has ever known. The secret of his success is partly his astonishing concentration, which makes him invaluable in a crisis. There are those who doubt whether, in mastery of every kind of wicket, he equals some of the great players of the past. They even question his technique, arguing that he relies too much upon his marvellously swift footwork and phenomenal sight. However, his technique is sound enough, writes Howard Marshall, and adapted to his qualities. With it goes the spirit of aggression which not allow him to fall into a technical corner. Passive resistance is useless to him. He must always be attacking. Challenge him with leg theory and he will seek the unorthodox counter-thrust. Set a defensive field, and he will still score 40 or 50 runs an hour. His hook is an explosion of elemental force, but the power is controlled and the ball kept down. When Bradman hooks, he chastens his opponents, and sets against them the measure of their inferiority. Among his many records we find that he topped the averages for all matches during the last tour of England with a total of 2,108 and an average of 94.75 for eight Test match innings. He has scored over 60 centuries in first-class matches and has shared in 90 partnerships of over 100 of which one was over 400, five between 300 and 400 and 17 between 200 and 300.

#### Plenty Of Talent

If the Australian cricketers were really hard up for a player to replace Barnes, their S.O.S. need have gone no farther than the local cricket Press boxes. W. M. Woodfull is sitting in them this summer, and so is Bert Oldfield, who for years ranked as the best wicket-keeper in the game and a reliable run-getter at about 50 or 60. And if they don't fancy either of those old campaigners, both now 40 years of



"Lying Two" seems to be what Jack Shepherd is saying. A good head in the Lawn Tennis League match on Saturday between the Craigenower C.C. and the Police R.C. The Craigenower team won by 101 shots to 39.

#### Baseball

### NEW YORK GIANTS TROUNCED

#### Phillies Improve Their Position

New York, May 16. New York Giants, leaders of the National Baseball League, received a trouncing to-day at the hands of Philadelphia Phillies, who won by the job-sided score of 12-3. The Giants were outplayed.

A close match was played between Boston Braves and Brooklyn Dodgers, the former winning by the odd run in nine.

In the American League, Detroit Tigers scored 13 runs from 11 hits to beat Washington Senators by 13-7. The match between Philadelphia Athletics and Cleveland Indians went to ten innings before a decision could be reached. The Indians eventually won by 4-3.

| NATIONAL LEAGUE |    |    |   |
|-----------------|----|----|---|
| Boston          | 5  | 10 | 1 |
| Brooklyn        | 4  | 6  | 0 |
| New York        | 3  | 8  | 2 |
| Philadelphia    | 12 | 13 | 0 |

(Ripple homered for the Giants, and Corbett, Martin, Whitney and Klein for the Phillies).

| AMERICAN LEAGUE |    |    |   |
|-----------------|----|----|---|
| Washington      | 7  | 7  | 1 |
| Detroit         | 13 | 11 | 3 |

(Lewis homered for the Senators, and York and Gehring for the Tigers).

|              |   |    |   |
|--------------|---|----|---|
| Philadelphia | 3 | 8  | 1 |
| Cleveland    | 4 | 12 | 2 |

(Ten innings were played).—Reuter.

age, there is a fine young Australian cricketer at Oxford whom they could ask to lend a hand—namely, R. C. M. Kimpton. Probably they have not thought of him, but Kimpton is a first-rate and stylish batsman, a good bowler, and a useful wicket-keeper. Kimpton could also show them a thing or two at golf between cricket matches. He has a half-Blue for it.

#### Cricket

### LANCASHIRE DEFEATS ESSEX

#### Victory By An Innings

London, May 16. The match between Lancashire and Essex, played at Ilford, in the County Cricket Championship ended to-day in a win for the former by an innings and 177 runs.

Thanks to 114 by J. Taddon and 115 by N. Oldfield, Lancashire declared at 491 for eight wickets. Peter Smith captured five wickets for 87 runs.

Essex replied with 119 in the first innings, Nutter taking five for 38, and in the follow-on Essex scored 195.

#### M.C.C. v. AUSTRALIANS

The Australian tourists are in a very favourable position in their match against the M.C.C. at Lord's. After scoring 502, of which Don Bradman made 278, the tourists dismissed the M.C.C. side for 214. R. E. S. Wyatt scoring 84 not out. J. Smith took six wickets for the M.C.C. for 139 runs, while L. O'Brien took four for 69.

In the follow-on, the M.C.C. had made 87 for one when stumps were drawn.—Reuter.

### REFERENCE BOOKS CEASE PUBLICATION

#### No Tennis Almanacks This Year

London, Apr. 21. British lawn tennis officials and fans are disconcerted at the revelation that Britain's only two complete annual reference books on the sport have ceased publication. For many years tournament officials throughout the country, and even the Lawn Tennis Association

### Australian Cricketers To Make An Indian Tour

#### Several Test Players To Be Included

In connexion with the proposed visit of an Australian cricket team to India, Mr. Frank Tarrant, who is organising the tour, told the Associated Press of India that if the proposal were accepted by the Cricket Club of India he was certain to take Richardson, Grimmett, Kippax, Oldfield, Wendell, Bill, Chilvers, Fingleton, Chappell, Nash, Brown, Lush, Talbot, Gregory, McCormick, Bromley, O'Brien, and Barnett to India during the next cold weather season.

He was in communication with Bradman, but he was unable to say whether Bradman would captain Australia.

According to a tentative itinerary, the team will arrive in Bombay on Nov. 15 and proceed to Colombo on Feb. 13, 1939, after visiting Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Junnagar, Karachi, Dabawar, Lahore, Amritsar, Patiala, Delhi, Ameer, Indore, Nagpur, Calcutta, Secunderabad, Madras, Bangalore and Poona.

Five Test matches have been planned, two in Bombay and one each in Calcutta, Lahore and Madras. A three-days match in Colombo will also be included in the tour.

The Cricket Board of Control have referred the matter to the Cricket Club of India, stating that, if the Club accepted the offer, the Board would give support.

have been to a large extent dependent on Ayres' Lawn Tennis Almanack and Lowe's Lawn Tennis Annual in compiling dates of tournaments and international matches, seeding and handicapping players and numerous other purposes. An official of the Lawn Tennis Association confessed his dismay when the United Press informed him of the publishers' decision not to print the books this year.

Reasons for cessation of publication were not given but the publishers of Ayres' said they hope to revive the volume in 1939. The future of Lowe's, however, is still unknown.—United Press.

## WIN WITH EASE AGAINST K.C.C. AT KING'S PARK

### SPLENDID TENNIS SEEN ON THE OPENING DAY

(By "Abe")

The Chinese Recreation Club gave an indication of their real strength at King's Park yesterday afternoon when they walked through the Kowloon C.C. "A" in the Mixed Doubles Tennis League, winning by 7½ sets to 1½. Victory was already assured by the end of the second round, the scores being then 5½ sets to ½ in favour of the visitors.

Nevertheless the K.C.C. players gave the Chinese a good fight in spite of the scores, which did not quite give a fair reflection of the play. For instance, Teddy Fincher and Mrs. Williams might have won two sets—they obtained the 1½ sets for the K.C.C.—had they been a little steeper at the crucial stages. Against Willie Hung and Mrs. Enid Litton, they led 5-3 but failed to press home the advantage and finally had to share the set.

Teddy Fincher and Mrs. Williams were by far the best K.C.C. pair on view. Mrs. Williams, a newcomer from Shanghai, gave her partner splendid support, being very steady in her ground shots. She was not so reliable in the net, however, though she did score several winners with her volleying. Their victory over Paul Kong and Miss Yeung was well-earned, even if it came only in the last round.

#### VARIABLE FORM

The form shown by Enid Fincher and Mrs. Burnett was variable. They played up to standard in the first two rounds, losing in the ninth game to Tsui Yun-pui and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu and in the twelfth to Kong and Miss Yeung, but in the last round they were soundly beaten by Hung and Mrs. Litton.

Gordon Burnett and Mrs. Clarke tried hard but were outplayed by superior pairs. Their closest match was against Kong and Miss Yeung, who beat them by 6-4.

Nursing a cold, Hung was not at his best in his ground strokes. His net-play, however, remained as good as ever and he won many points through his devastating forecourt play. Mrs. Litton was steadiness personified.

Perhaps the best C.R.C. pair on the day's play was Tsui Yun-pui, who was taking the place of his brother, and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu. On yesterday's form, Tsui and Mrs. Chiu should not lose many sets in the League this season. They are a well-balanced combination.

Paul Kong and Miss Yeung Wai-pan were probably fortunate to take two sets. They just managed it against E. F. Fincher and Mrs. Burnett, winning by 7-5, and against Burnett and Mrs. Clarke, they won by 6-4. Kong was handicapped by having to play with the weakest lady in the C.R.C. side, but acquitted himself well.

#### SCORES

The display of the Chinese augurs well for their chances of winning the championship once again.

Scores:

E. C. Fincher and Mrs. Williams (K.C.C. "A") drew with W. C. Hung and Mrs. Enid Litton 6-6; lost to Tsui Yun-pui and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu 2-6; beat Paul Kong and Miss Yeung Wai-pan 6-3.

E. F. Fincher and Mrs. Burnett (K.C.C. "A") lost to Hung and Mrs. Litton 1-6; lost to Tsui and Mrs.

Chiu 3-6; lost to Kong and Miss Yeung 5-7.

G. C. Burnett and Mrs. Clarke (K.C.C. "A") lost to Hung and Mrs. Litton 3-6; lost to Tsui and Mrs. Chiu 2-6; lost to Kong and Miss Yeung 4-6.

#### U.S.R.C. JUMP INTO FINE FORM

U.S.R.C.'s victory over Kowloon Cricket Club second string was about as decisive as one could expect. The visitors were not in the same class, and offered disappointing opposition. Excellent performances were given by Mrs. Holmes, Miss Tyler and Miss Griffiths for the winners, and they quite definitely outshone the K.C.C. ladies, who found the uneven courts troublesome.

Lolly Goldman played typically vigorous tennis and won all three sets with ease. Commander Clifford made a very favourable impression, utilising a good service and some nice top-spin drives to effect. Lieut. D. C. Misra also showed up well for the winners, being especially prominent for some good serving.

A. E. P. Guest was the steadiest of the three visiting men. Gray struck appealing form, and Clarke was variable.

The losers lacked the balance which featured the displays of the U.S.R.C. couples.

Scores: United Services Recreation Club beat Kowloon Cricket Club "B" 8-1. Clifford and Miss Griffiths beat S. A. Gray and Mrs. Sweeney 7-1; beat E. Clarke and Miss Bradley 6-1; beat E. P. Guest and Mrs. Knight 6-3. Goldman and Miss Tyler beat Gray and Mrs. Sweeney 6-1; beat Clarke and Miss Bradley 6-3; lost to Guest and Mrs. Knight 5-7.

#### H.K.C.C. v. L.R.C.

Hongkong Cricket Club beat Ladies Recreation Club 7-2.

H. Owen Hughes and Mrs. Findlay beat Mr. and Mrs. Storey 6-3; beat J. Ferguson and Mrs. Waddell 6-3; beat N. Ralston and Mrs. Iyde Lay 6-3.

H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. J. P. Whitham beat Ferguson and Mrs. Waddell 6-3; beat Ralston and Mrs. Iyde Lay 6-1; beat Mr. and Mrs. Storey 4-6.

A. Pearce and Miss D. Dodwell beat Ralston and Mrs. Iyde Lay 6-1; beat Mr. and Mrs. Storey 6-3; lost to Ferguson and Mrs. Waddell 4-6.

### SOUTH CHINA A.A. TO ENTERTAIN SAIGON TEAM

The South China Athletic Association will hold a dinner at the Kam Ling Restaurant, 400, Queen's Road West, on Thursday, at 8 p.m., in honour of the visit of the Federation Cochinchinoise de Football Association's football team, and to celebrate the winning by the S.C.A.A. of the Hongkong Senior Football League and the Challenge Shield.

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## EUROPEAN "Y" TO HOLD GALA SOCIAL IN JUNE

### Water-Polo Practice Starts To-morrow

A meeting of the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Section was held yesterday evening, when it was decided to commence water-polo practice to-morrow evening, from 6.15 p.m. onwards.

An optimistic note was struck when it was stated that there were hopes of running a team throughout the summer months providing the necessary support from members was forthcoming.

It was decided to open the swimming season with a gala-social, the idea being to invite all members to swim, participate in handicap events, and enjoy cabaret turns, the whole programme taking part in the swimming pool—truly a novelty.

#### FOR JUNE

It is hoped that this gala-social will be held in the first week in June and that a friendly water-polo game will be arranged to conclude the programme.

A meeting of the Swimming Committee to discuss further details, will be held within the next few days.

## LOCAL SCHOOLS AT BASEBALL

The Diocesan Boys' School played La Salle College at baseball on the D.B.S. ground yesterday and won by ten runs to six. R. S. Turner, the D.B.S. captain, hit a home run with two men on bases. A return match will be arranged shortly.

## SPORT ADVTs.

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 21st MAY, 1938, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, &c. The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27194) will close at 12 NOON. Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box. Telephone 21220.

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The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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A picture taken recently of the Diocesan Boys' School's soccer team, which won several matches during the 1937-38 season. (Photo: King's Studio).

## Merits Of Amateur Billiard Champions

English amateur champion at billiards for the second year is Kingsley Kennerley, a 24-year-old Birmingham engineer. Kennerley has a big London following and I am told that he drew packed houses to Burroughes and Watts match hall in the course of the final round, says an English writer.

I have seen this young fellow at billiards and have enjoyed his game. He is a great player, but I would say the greatest amateur of all time. The claims of Laurie Steeples (he is now a professional player) should not be ignored when we are seeking a place of the crown of supremacy.

Let me compare the three players. Steeples, Lee and Kennerley are of the calibre. Steeples at his best was a great close-cannon player and there has been no amateur since his superior with the in-off sequence. Sydney Lee in his amateur days was almost the equal of Steeples with the close-cannon movement—there are those who declare Lee was the better of the pair.

Lee's in-off play had not the sustained excellence marking Steeples' game and the two might be bracketed in the top-of-the-table department. Kennerley is as good as Steeples at the in-off and at the top he is better than Steeples and Lee—definitely he is that—but he is not the equal of either with the close cannon technique. Some day he will surpass the achievements of both with the balls in close formation and then we can confidently set him up as the greatest amateur player of all time. There is just a possibility that this crown we are planning to give Kennerley will be set elsewhere before he is ready for it. They have in Australia a young man named Robert Marshall who may qualify for the elevated place before Kennerley.

The Australian has proved his ability in defeating Joseph Thompson of England in the Empire Championship at Johannesburg in 1936. Thompson has been beaten twice by Kennerley in the English final and he can fairly assess the respective ability of Marshall and Kennerley.

But Thompson will not go far when he is asked for an opinion as to which of the two is best. All he says is like this: "The meeting of the pair will provide the best billiard match amateurs ever have played." I would give a lot to be able to see them in Melbourne in their Empire Championship battle in June. I wouldn't care to forecast the winner. They both are great players. Kennerley in practice recently made a break of 942 and Marshall has topped the 700 more than once in preparation work. Either may make the "thousand" run before

## INTERESTING WATER-POLO ENCOUNTER

### Signals To Meet St. Andrew's Club

An interesting water-polo match will take place at the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming pool next Thursday evening at 7.30 p.m. when the Royal Corps of Signals entertain a team from the St. Andrew's Club. The latter have only just formed their team, which on paper looks fairly good although their opponents will probably win, having defeated most of the military teams in the Colony.

The teams are as follows:  
R.C. of Signals—Lt. F. P. Rickard; J. Dignan and G. Bedford; B. Dugan; A. Payne, G. Taylor and T. McCann.  
Reserves—Wilkins.  
St. Andrew's—H. Millington; F. Ashford and J. Tomlinson; R. Goldmann; F. Wong, A. S. Bliss and O. Dunne.  
Reserves—F. Broadbridge and H. O'Connor.

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| T.T. Japan                | 105 3/4   |
| T.T. India                | 82 1/2    |
| T.T. U.S.A.               | 81 1/2    |
| T.T. Manila               | 53 1/4    |
| T.T. Batavia              | 150 1/4   |
| T.T. Bangkok              | 107 1/4   |
| T.T. Saigon               | 10 1/2    |
| T.T. France               | 70 1/2    |
| T.T. Germany              | 133 1/2   |
| T.T. Switzerland          | 1 1/8     |
| T.T. Australia            | 1 1/8     |
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## MANILA SHARES

The following business done quotations were received after the close of the morning session by Swan, Culbertson & Fritz from their Manila office:

| Business Done Prices in Pesos |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Antamok                       | Unquoted |
| Atok                          | Unquoted |
| Batanga                       | Unquoted |
| Benguet Consolidated          | 20 1/2   |
| Coco Grove                    | Unquoted |
| Consolidated Mines            | Unquoted |
| IXL                           | Unquoted |
| Demonstration                 | Unquoted |
| Kine Operation                | Unquoted |
| Paracale Gumau                | 48 1/2   |
| San Maurice                   | Unquoted |
| Suyc                          | Unquoted |
| United Paracale               | Unquoted |
| The tone of the market—Dull.  |          |

another year has passed and I dare say Australians are expecting that it will be Marshall who takes possession of the trophy which Burroughes and Watts are offering to the amateur player who first makes a four-figure break.

## STUDENTS RESTLESS IN MEXICO

### Sequel To Break With Britain

Mexico City, May 16. Bloody clashes, reflecting the tense situation created by the expropriation of foreign oil company properties and the diplomatic break with Great Britain, are occurring in Mexico.

Police to-day were forced to drive Socialist Youth Organisation members from the University and preparatory law schools. Two students were injured, one seriously, in the clash. No arrests were made. Students armed with pistols, sticks and bricks, seized the buildings in connection with a dispute over the Dean, Dr. Chlo Goerne, which split the student body.

Meanwhile, all is quiet at San Luis Potosi, and there are no indications of an uprising. Troops are enforcing the usual precautions.—United Press.

## QUESTIONS IN COMMON

London, May 16. Surprise and regret of His Majesty's Government at the decision of the Mexican Government, closing its Legation in London, was expressed by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, in the House of Commons in answer to a question to-day.

Mr. Butler said he could not forecast any further action which might be taken but the British Government would naturally continue to use their best endeavours to protect the substantial British commercial interests in Mexico.

In his answer Mr. Butler explained the terms of the British Note of May 11, and the reasons which prompted the references therein to the general state of Mexican indecision, both internal and external.

These reasons he reiterated in a reply to a supplementary question from the Opposition benches suggesting there has been a breach of diplomatic faith, but he declined to answer a number of other supplementary questions by Labour members except to express the hope that any efforts of His Majesty's Government to secure a settlement with Mexico would be supported in all quarters of the House.—British Wireless.

## Commons Suspicious Of Sudetens

### Barrage Of Questions On British Policy

London, May 16. Questions addressed in the House of Commons to the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, on representations by the British Minister in Prague on the Sudeten German problem were answered by the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler as Mr. Chamberlain was confined to his room at 10, Downing Street, by a slight attack of gout. Mr. Butler said: "His Majesty's representative in Prague has had conversations with the Czechoslovak President of the Council and the Minister for Foreign Affairs about this question."

"His Majesty's Government has not suggested to the Czechoslovak Government any particular measures or concessions, but have urged the desirability, with which the Czechoslovak Government is in full agreement of doing everything in their power to further a settlement of the problem."

"A discussion has also taken place between the German Foreign Minister and His Majesty's Ambassador in Berlin. Matters have not yet reached a stage when I can usefully make a further statement."

Asked by Mr. Arthur Henderson, whether the Government would refuse to support any concession which would destroy the effective defence of Czechoslovakia, Mr. Butler replied: "We have stated we have not suggested to the Czechoslovak Government any particular measure of concession which might conflict with the foreign policy of the Czechoslovak Government."

The Under-Secretary also returned no reply to the Liberal leader, Sir Archibald Sinclair, when later asked: "Does the Government realise in making these representations at Prague they are assuming a heavy work of responsibility?"

In another answer Mr. Butler referred to the private visit to London at the end of last week of Herr Henlein whom, he said, had not been

## HENLEIN'S VISIT UNRECOGNISED

London, May 16. In reply to a question in the House of Commons, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said that Herr Konrad Henlein, leader of the Sudeten Germans, had not been received by any members of the Government.

The report that Herr Henlein had visited Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Dominions (who has become Secretary of State for the Colonies under the Cabinet re-shuffle announced this morning) was denied by Mr. Butler.—Reuter.

received by any member of the Government.

In particular, the report of a meeting between Dominions Secretary and Herr Henlein was without foundation. The leader of the Sudeten German Party did not visit the Foreign Office either.

Asked if Herr Henlein had not seen Sir Robert Vansittart, Mr. Butler replied: "I understand Herr Henlein met Sir Robert, with whom he was already acquainted, on a purely private occasion.—British Wireless."

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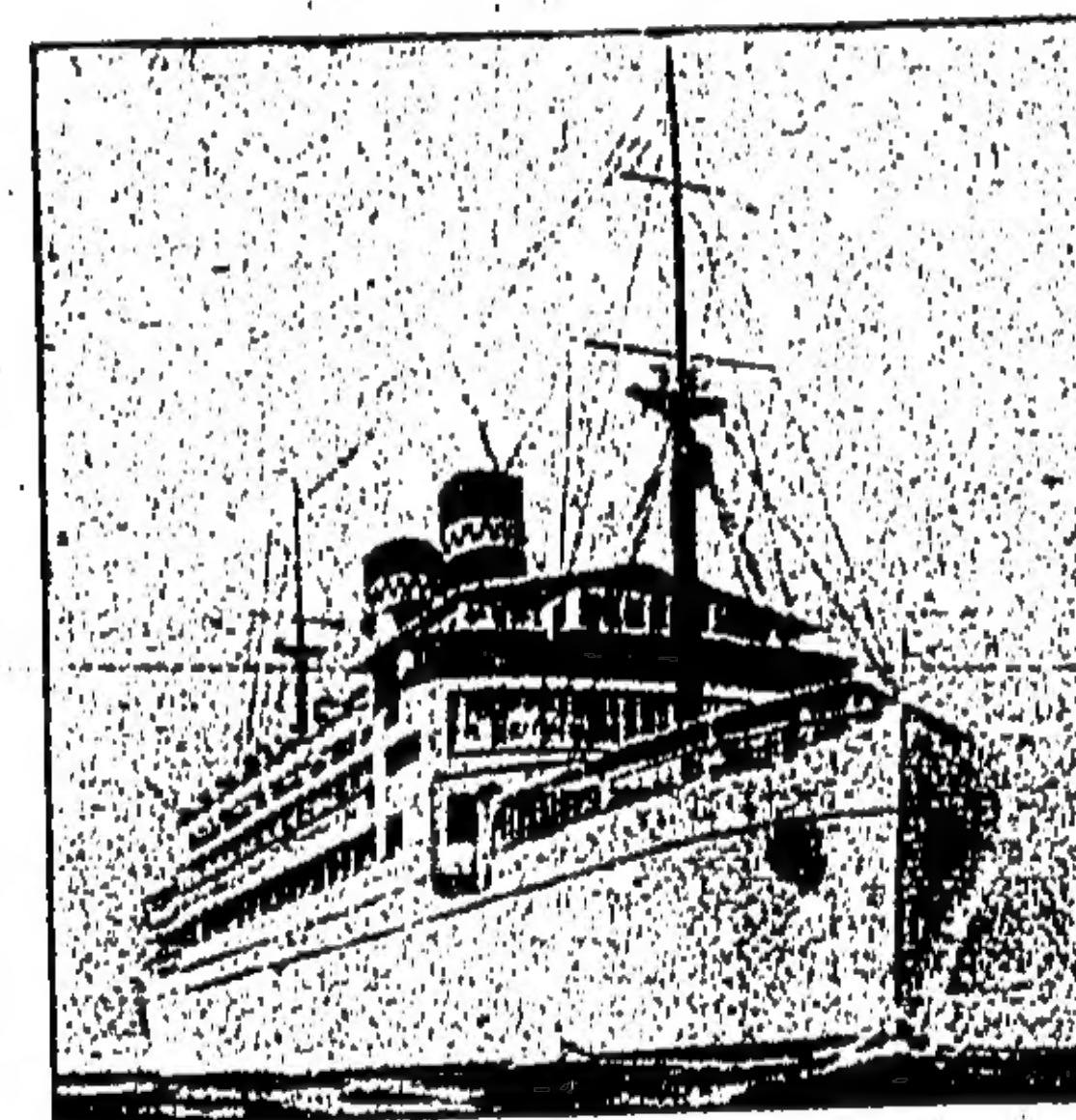
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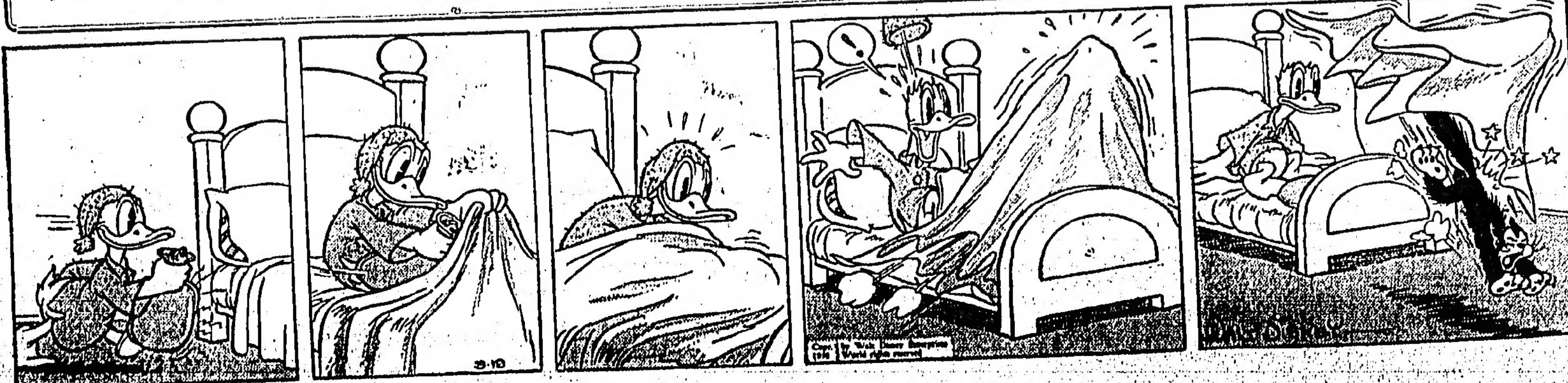
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### Staff Officer On Charge Of Speeding

A summons this morning against  
Major M. A. Murphy, Headquarters,  
China Command, of speeding in  
Hennessy Road, was adjourned at the  
Central Court until Monday at 2.30  
p.m.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay appeared for  
Major Murphy, who was not in Court,  
and pleaded not guilty to the charge.

#### NEWCOMER FINED

Charged with parking his car in  
Duddell Street, which was a closed  
road, W. A. Scharfberg was fined  
\$8 when he appeared before Mr. H.  
R. Butters at the Central Magistracy  
this morning.

Defendant pleaded that he had not  
been in the Colony long and did not  
know the regulations.

### Polish Girl To Be Expelled From Hongkong

Came Here Without  
Valid Passport

A young Polish woman, Mina  
Ditrich, was charged before Mr. R.  
Edwards at the Central Magistracy  
this morning with entering the  
Colony without a valid passport.

Defendant said that when she left  
Tientsin, the Consul there had stated  
it was not necessary to have a British  
visa for Hongkong.

"I don't believe your story," Mr.  
Edwards said. A fine of \$25 was  
inflicted and an expulsion order was  
made against the defendant.

### Printing Shop Manager On Theft Charge

Hui King, 20-year-old manager of  
the Tin Shing Printing shop, was  
formally remanded until next Monday  
when he appeared before Mr. H. R.  
Butters at the Central Magistracy  
this morning, charged with stealing  
\$200, property of the firm.

Mr. M. A. da Silva represented the  
complainant, Ip Wing-on, while Mr.  
Hin-shing Lo appeared for the de-  
fence.

It was hinted by Mr. Silva that  
further charges may be laid.

Bail in the sum of \$1,500 was  
allowed.

## STOP PRESS NEWS

### 25 DIE FROM SMALLPOX

Twenty-five deaths out of 27 cases  
of smallpox recorded during the week  
ending May 14 feature a report issued  
by the Health Authorities.

Nevertheless, for the first time for  
several weeks, no new cases of small-  
pox were reported yesterday.

The weekly report shows that out  
of five cases of diphtheria, four  
proved fatal. There were also two  
deaths out of 17 cases of enteric  
fever, six deaths out of 20 notifica-  
tions of measles, nine deaths from 14  
cases of meningitis, and two deaths  
from 17 cases of dysentery.

During the past 24 hours, there  
have been four new cases of measles,  
four of dysentery, two of meningitis  
and one of enteric fever.

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